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Burnie graduands head downtown

University of Tasmania students graduating in the North West will be parading their achievements next week in the region's first Town and Gown procession through the Burnie city centre.

The Town and Gown procession is a special feature of the University's December graduation round.

The procession allows for the town (community) to celebrate the achievements of the region's graduates.

Pro Vice-Chancellor (Community, Partnerships and Regional Development) Professor Janelle Allison said that the inclusion of a Town and Gown procession in this year's graduation celebrations is another indication of the University's commitment to the region.

"The Town and Gown is a great chance for our graduands to demonstrate their success at university," Professor Allison said.

"It is also a chance for us to plant the seed of an idea of what is possible for those looking on who may become our students of the future."

The parade will leave the Burnie Council Chambers **next Tuesday the 9th of December at 2pm** and will process along Wilson, Cattley, Alexander and High streets before graduands and University staff gather at the Burnie Arts and Function Centre for the formal graduation ceremony. These streets will be closed during the Town and Gown parade.

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