

College of Education & Human Development

Hooding Ceremony

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Guideline Statement

This document outlines the manner in which the College of Education and Human Development will plan and implement A&M-SA's Hooding Ceremony.

Reason for Guideline

A&M-SA's College of Education and Human Development's commitment to student success culminates not only in the graduation ceremony, but also in the hooding of COEHD graduates. This special recognition of Master's degree graduates is a tradition that acknowledges the academic achievement of those graduates by having students' chosen faculty member apply the hood in this special ceremony.

Procedure/Policy/Guideline

1. Notification of Hooding Ceremony
 - 1.1 The College of Education and Human Development in collaboration with the University will set the date/time for the hooding ceremony.
 - 1.2 The date/time will be posted 30 days in advance and disseminated via the College and Department's websites. This date/time will be advance as to allow sufficient time for students and faculty to set that date/time aside for the hooding ceremony. Additionally, a calendar invite will be sent to students and faculty.
 - 1.3 The Hooding Ceremony committee will set deadlines for students to inform their requested faculty of the desire to be hooded. Students will be encouraged to have a "second" faculty in the event their first choice is unavailable.
2. Hooding Ceremony
 - 2.1 On the date/time of the hooding ceremony, all those involved will arrive 15 minutes prior to the official starting time to allow both student and faculty some time to visit and practice, if needed.

- 2.2 The Dean of the College will speak on the tradition and significance of the hooding ceremony.
- 2.3 As the ceremony begins, the Dean/name reader will announce the student and the faculty member hooding to move to the front of the stage. At this time, the student will hand the faculty member their hood and then turn around for the hood to be placed over their head.
- 2.4 Designated name readers will be encouraged to consult with students being hooded regarding correct name pronunciation

Definitions (if needed)

Related Statutes, Policies, or Requirements (if applicable)

Appendices (if applicable)
