Graduation day guide

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Order of ceremonies

10.00: Faculty of Engineering

14.00: Faculty of Medicine and Faculty of Natural Sciences

17.45: Imperial College Business School, Centre for Higher Education Research and Scholarship, and the Centre for Languages, Culture and Communication

Important information

Proof of a negative PCR test taken no more than 72 hours prior to Graduation Day 2022.

OR

Proof of a negative COVID-19 lateral flow device test (LFD) administered on the day, prior to commencement of Graduation Day 2022.

Please ensure that you have reported the results of your LFD test results (if carried out in the UK) on the Government/NHS website at:


Prior to admittance for registration, you will be asked to show the results of your UK COVID-19 tests via your email or text message notifications.

For graduands who have had their test overseas, please bring along the relevant paper/electronic certificates of your test results. Results must be clearly evidenced in English, Spanish or French.

Any graduand who is unable to provide the correct proof or documentation will not be granted admittance to their Graduation Day 2022 ceremony.

The South Kensington Campus will be busy on the day and to ensure that all graduands have the opportunity to collect their ceremony ticket and academic dress ahead of their ceremony, we have allocated time slots for all registered attendees to arrive.

We recommend arriving at the start of your allocated time slot so that you can complete the pre-ceremony tasks of ticket collection, gown collection and dressing. You will not be able to participate in the ceremony without your gown and ceremony ticket.

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1. Go to registration in the Junior Common Room, Sherfield Building to collect your ceremony ticket and submit your COVID-19 test results.

2. Collect your gown before your ceremony from the Senior Common Room, Sherfield Building.

3. Arrive at the Royal Albert Hall in plenty of time for your ceremony. We recommend arriving at the Royal Albert Hall at least 45 minutes before the ceremony commences.

Don’t forget

- Your gown order confirmation
- Your CID number
- Photographic ID
- COVID-19 test results
Collect your gown in the Senior Common Room
Gowns are available to collect from the Senior Common Room, Sherfield Building (map reference B2) between the following times:

- **07.00–09.00:** Faculty of Engineering
- **11.00–13.00:** Faculty of Medicine and Faculty of Natural Sciences
- **14.15–16.45:** Imperial College Business School, Centre for Higher Education Research and Scholarship, and the Centre for Languages, Culture and Communication

You must return your gown to Ede & Ravenscroft by **21.00** on graduation day. Gown drop off is located in the Sir Alexander Fleming Building, Concourse, (map reference B3).

Arrive for your ceremony at the Royal Albert Hall
You must arrive at the Royal Albert Hall with your ticket and gown at least 45 minutes before your ceremony starts. Please note the Royal Albert Hall reserves the right to search bags, so please be prepared for your bags to be checked when you enter the Hall. To avoid delays, please do not bring large bags to graduation.

**Photography**
Photography will be available in the Queen’s Tower Room, Sherfield Building (map reference B2) between 07.00–21.00. Graduation gowns and hoods will not be provided during your photo shoot and you would need to collect this before you arrive for photography.

Please note that photography in the Queen’s Tower Room will be available to graduands only.

Please return your gowns to the Sir Alexander Fleming Building, Concourse, by **21.00** on graduation day.

**Important information**

**Use of mobile phones and flash photography**
Flash photography and selfies on stage inside the Royal Albert Hall is strictly forbidden.

**Dress code**
Graduation is a formal occasion. You should be dressed smartly and you are welcome to wear traditional or national dress. Shorts, jeans and trainers are not appropriate for graduands or guests.

**Ceremony live streaming**
Family and friends can watch you graduate on our live-stream on our website:

www.graduation.imperial.ac.uk

**Graduation FAQ**
Find the answer to frequently asked questions about graduation on our website:

www.imperial.ac.uk/graduation/frequently-asked-questions

**Plan your journey**
Use the Transport for London website to plan your journey to South Kensington on graduation day:

tfl.gov.uk/plan-a-journey
Make the most out of being an Imperial alumnus

As an alumnus, you can access a wide range of exclusive services and benefits, including careers support and networking opportunities, membership of Imperial libraries and the chance to keep in touch at events around the world.

Members of the Alumni Relations team will be based in the Sir Alexander Fleming Building, Concourse.

Graduation pin collection
Graduands can collect their Graduation 2022 pins in the envelope with their ticket, attached to a congratulations card. The Alumni Relations team will be available for graduands after their ceremony for any queries about their pin or to update their contact information. Free commemorative postcards and other gifts will also be available for graduands to collect.

Where
Sir Alexander Fleming Building, Concourse (map reference B3).

When
If graduands are not able to meet the team on the day, they can email alumni@imperial.ac.uk.

Celebration Boxes

After your ceremony, you may collect a complementary celebration box to take home.

These will be provided by Campus Services in the Sir Alexander Fleming Building, Concourse.