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TO
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DRESS FOR THE DUBLIN INSTITUTE OF
TECHNOLOGY**

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1. INTRODUCTION

Prior to the first meeting of the Committee the Chairman sought submissions from Robemakers Phelan and Conan and Oxford and Armstrong.

A comprehensive submission was received from Phelan and Conan prior to the first meeting of the Committee. This submission was considered at the first meeting of the Committee.

A very brief submission was received from Oxford and Armstrong after the Committee had met for the first time. This submission was circulated to the Committee Members.

The Committee noted with regret the sudden death of Mr. Denis Phelan, Chairman, Phelan Conan, Robemakers shortly after the Committee began discussions with his Company. The Committee noted that the management of the Company was now in the hands of Mrs. Margaret Phelan and Mr. Damien Phelan.

The Committee noted that Mrs. Hilda Oxford and Ms. Yasmin Oxford had withdrawn from the Company Oxford and Armstrong Robemakers. The Company was now managed by Ms. Beverly Bancroft.

2. LISTING OF PRIORITIES

The Committee noted the urgency attached by the President and Academic Council to having proposals in place for the Conferring Ceremonies of Autumn 1995. As a result the Committee decided to attach priority to achieving agreement in relation to the proposals for academic dress for the following level of courses in each faculty;

One Year Full-time Certificate and equivalent

Two Year Full-time Certificate and equivalent

Three Year Full-time Diploma, Pass Degree and equivalent

Four and Five year Full-time Honours Degree Programmes and equivalent

Graduate Diploma

The Committee also gave consideration to the academic robes to be worn by the Senior Academics within the Dublin Institute of Technology;

President

Deputy President

Vice-President

Directors

The Committee agreed proposals in relation to the robes to be worn by the Chairman of the Governing Body of the Dublin Institute of Technology as follows;

Chairman

17 Ordinary Members

The Committee postponed consideration until the Autumn of the academic robes appropriate for:

Masters Degrees,

Doctorate Degrees,

Honorary Degrees,

Other Awards which might be referred to the Committee.

3. PROPOSED FACULTY COLOUR CODE

The Committee noted that each University in Britain and Ireland has a system of Academical Dress which is used by its graduates to indicate their academic status (i.e., Certificate, Diploma, Master or Doctor) and Faculty (i.e., Engineering, Science, Business, Arts etc.).

The Committee noted that each Institution on receiving its authorisation to confer its own Awards to its students adopts a set of robes of its own which are distinctive and peculiar to that Institution.

The Committee noted however that it is also important for newly authorised institutions to follow a logical pattern of academic dress which conforms with international protocol.

Over the past 50 years the overriding protocol has been the intercollegiate code of North America and Canada which has been followed by the great majority of Universities and Institutions in Britain and Ireland. The Committee further noted that Cambridge University overhauled its system of academic dress in 1934 to align its code of academic dress with this international protocol.

The colour code is used to indicate the faculty to which the graduate belongs by appearing on the lining of hoods and on the stripes of epitoges.

The Committee proposed the following faculty colour code for the Dublin Institute of Technology:-

SCIENCE	<i>Golden Yellow (578)</i>
ENGINEERING	<i>Orange (362)</i>
BUSINESS	<i>Drab (243)</i>
BUILT ENVIRONMENT	<i>Silver Grey (282)</i>
TOURISM AND FOOD SCIENCE	<i>Maroon (5001)</i>
APPLIED ARTS AND CULTURE	<i>White (222)</i>

4. PROPOSED SYSTEM OF ACADEMICAL DRESS

We have set out on the following pages the logical system of academical dress appropriate to the Dublin Institute of Technology. The system proposes conventional robes with hoods or epitoges which should be worn over the robes to indicate the wearer's status and faculty within the Institute.

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Honours Degree Hood. |
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BACHELORS ROBES

(ALL FACULTIES)

(incl. Certificates, Diplomas and Graduate Diplomas)

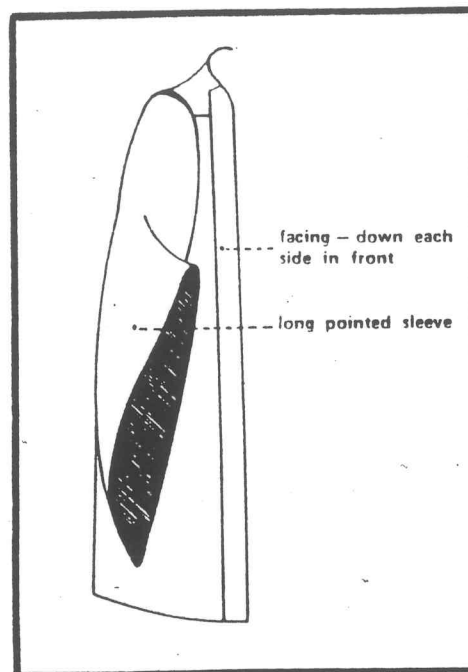
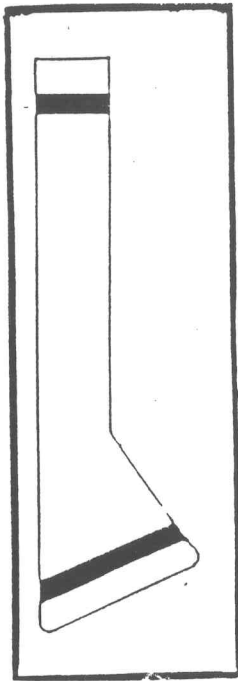


Figure (i) Bachelors Robe

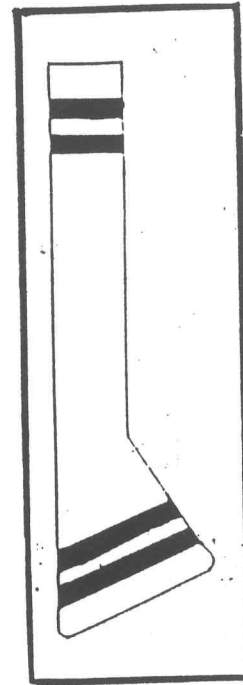
The Bachelors gown has a long pointed open sleeve following the Oxford shape and is made from black stuff.

	GOWN	FACING
1/2 Year Certificant	Black	Black
3 Year Diplomate/Pass Degree	Black	Black
4/5 Year Bachelor Degree	Black	Black
Graduate Diploma	Black	Black

EPITOGES
(ALL FACULTIES)



ONE YEAR CERTIFICATE



TWO YEAR CERTIFICATE

Figure (ii) Shape and stripe layout of epitoges.

Epitoges show the faculty colour with stripes of *Blue (157)*.

Length 735mm with 90mm/190mm, 45% along length. One/two stripes of 25mm blue braid (157) spaced 25mm apart and both located 25mm from each end.

THREE YEAR DIPLOMA/PASS DEGREE HOOD

(ALL FACULTIES)

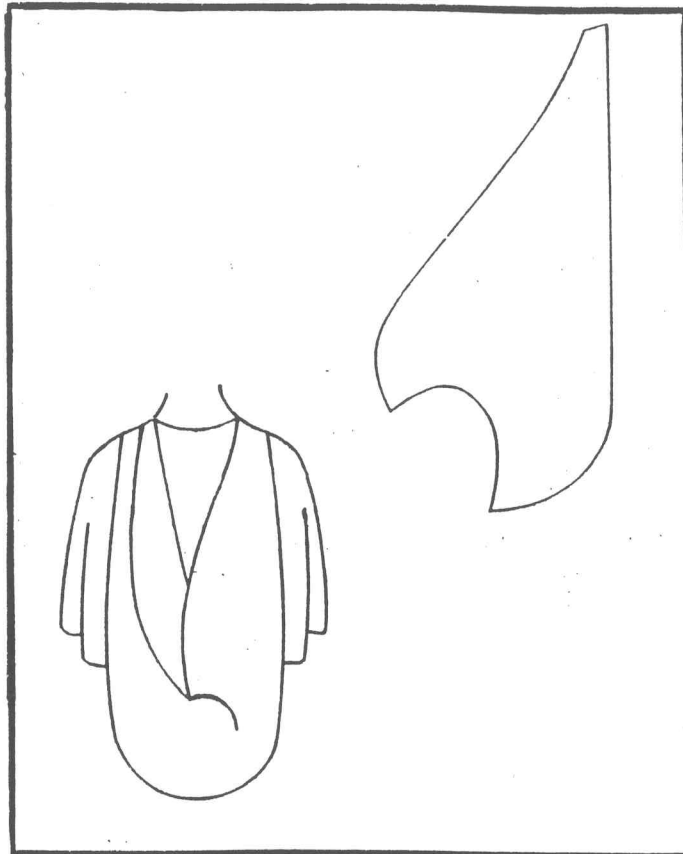


Figure (iii) Shape of the Three Year Diploma/Pass Degree Hood.

The hood is of the Oxford simple shape, faced with the faculty colour and lined with *Blue (157)*.

Length 840mm, width 445mm.

4/5 YEAR HONOURS DEGREE HOOD

(ALL FACULTIES)

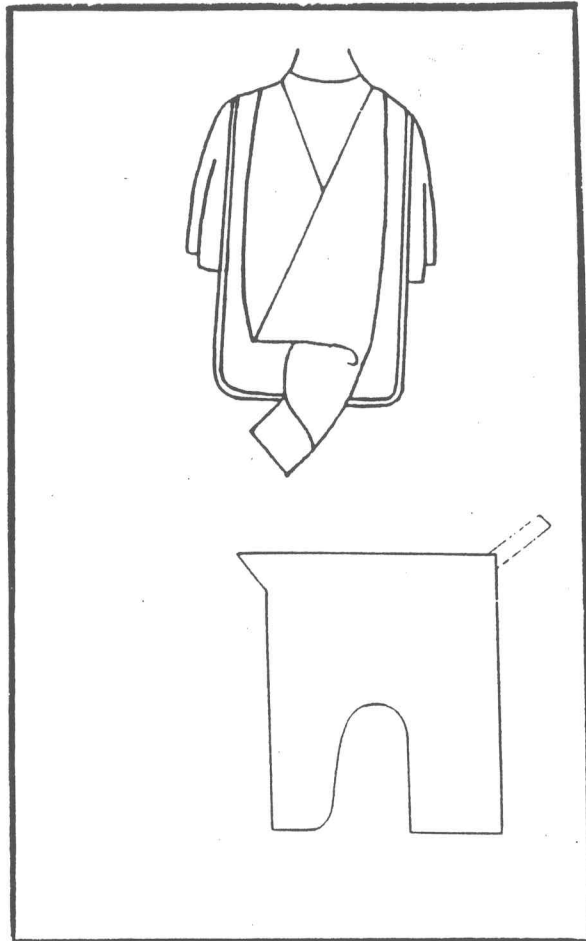


Figure (iv) Shape of Honours Degree Hood.

The 4/5 Year Honours Degree Hood is of full shape, faced *Blue (157)* and lined with the faculty colour.

Length 765mm, width 635mm, Tippet 205mm, Liripipe 130mm and neck band 180mm.

EPITOGUE FOR GRADUATE DIPLOMA.

(ALL FACULTIES)

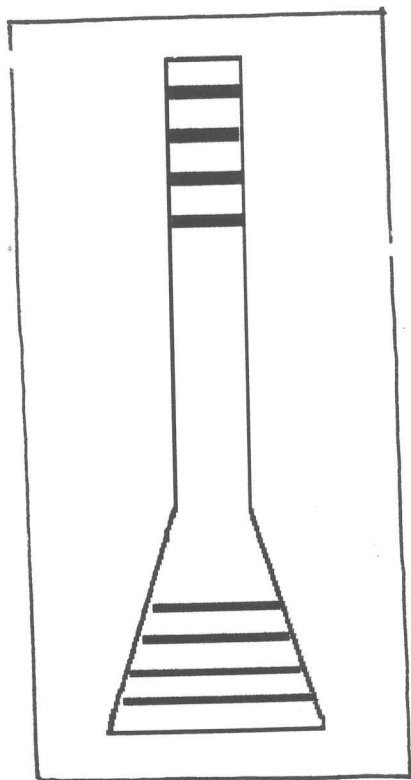


Figure (v) Shape and Stripe Layout of Graduate Diploma Epitogue.

Epitogue shows faculty colour with four stripes of *Blue (157)*.

Length 1015mm, width 90mm/330mm, 50% along length. Four stripes of 40mm braid in *Blue (157)* spaced 25mm apart and each located 25mm from each end.

HEAD DRESS

MORTAR - BOARD CAP



Figure (vi) Mortar - Board.

	CAP	TASSEL
Certificant	Black	Black
Diplomate	Black	Black
Bachelor	Black	Black
Graduate Diplomate	Black	Black

**5. SCIENCE FACULTY;
ILLUSTRATION OF ACADEMIC DRESS**

Two Year Certificant



Bachelor Gown with two stripe Epitoge.

The Epitoge is in the faculty colour *Golden Yellow (578)* with two stripes of *Blue (157)*.

SCIENCE FACULTY

Three Year Diploma/Pass Degree



Bachelor Gown with Three Year/Pass Degree Hood.

The Hood is of the Oxford simple shape faced with the faculty colour *Golden Yellow (578)* and lined with *Blue (157)*.

SCIENCE FACULTY

4/5 Year Honours Bachelor



Bachelor Gown with 4/5 Year Honours Degree Hood.

The Hood is a full shape faced *Blue(157)* and lined with the faculty colour *Golden Yellow (578)*.

SCIENCE FACULTY

Graduate Diplomate



Bachelor Gown with four stripe Epitoge.

The Epitoge is in the faculty colour *Golden Yellow* (578) with four stripes of *Blue* (157).

6. ENGINEERING FACULTY;
ILLUSTRATION OF ACADEMIC DRESS

Two Year Certificant



Bachelor Gown with two stripe Epitoge.

The Epitoge is in the faculty colour *Orange (362)* with two stripes of *Blue (157)*.

ENGINEERING FACULTY

Three Year Diploma/Pass Degree



Bachelor Gown with Three Year/Pass Degree Hood.

The Hood is of the Oxford simple shape faced with the faculty colour *Orange* (362) and lined with *Blue* (157).

ENGINEERING FACULTY

4/5 Year Honours Bachelor



Bachelor Gown with 4/5 Year Honours Degree Hood.

The Hood is a full shape faced *Blue(157)* and lined with the faculty colour *Orange (362)*.

ENGINEERING FACULTY

Graduate Diplomate



Bachelor Gown with four stripe Epitoge.

The Epitoge is in the faculty colour *Orange (362)* with four stripes of *Blue (157)*.

7. BUSINESS FACULTY;
ILLUSTRATION OF ACADEMIC DRESS

Two Year Certificant



Bachelor Gown with two stripe Epitoge.

The Epitoge is in the faculty colour *Drab* (243) with two stripes of *Blue* (157).

BUSINESS FACULTY

Three Year Diploma/Pass Degree



Bachelor Gown with Three Year/Pass Degree Hood.

The Hood is of the Oxford simple shape faced with the faculty colour *Drab (243)* and lined with *Blue (157)*.

BUSINESS FACULTY

4/5 Year Honours Bachelor



Bachelor Gown with 4/5 Year Honours Degree Hood.

The Hood is a full shape faced *Blue(157)* and lined with the faculty colour *Drab (243)*.

BUSINESS FACULTY

Graduate Diplomate



Bachelor Gown with four stripe Epitoge.

The Epitoge is in the faculty colour *Drab* (243) with four stripes of *Blue* (157).

**8. BUILT ENVIRONMENT FACULTY;
ILLUSTRATION OF ACADEMIC DRESS**

Two Year Certificant



Bachelor Gown with two stripe Epitoge.

The Epitoge is in the faculty colour *Silver Grey* (282) with two stripes of *Blue* (157).

BUILT ENVIRONMENT FACULTY

Three Year Diploma/Pass Degree



Bachelor Gown with Three Year/Pass Degree Hood.

The Hood is of the Oxford simple shape faced with the faculty colour *Silver Grey* (282) and lined with *Blue*(157).

BUILT ENVIRONMENT FACULTY

4/5 Year Honours Bachelor



Bachelor Gown with 4/5 Year Honours Degree Hood.

The Hood is a full shape faced *Blue(157)* and lined with the faculty colour *Silver Grey (282)*.

BUILT ENVIRONMENT FACULTY

Graduate Diplomate



Bachelor Gown with four stripe Epitoge.

The Epitoge is in the faculty colour *Silver Grey* (282) with four stripes of *Blue* (157).

9. TOURISM & FOOD SCIENCE FACULTY;
ILLUSTRATION OF ACADEMIC DRESS

Two Year Certificant



Bachelor Gown with two stripe Epitoge.

The Epitoge is in the faculty colour *Maroon (5001)* with two stripes of *Blue (157)*.

TOURISM & FOOD SCIENCE FACULTY

Three Year Diploma/Pass Degree



Bachelor Gown with Three Year/Pass Degree Hood.

The Hood is of the Oxford simple shape faced with the faculty colour *Maroon (5001)* and lined with *Blue (157)*.

TOURISM & FOOD SCIENCE FACULTY

4/5 Year Honours Bachelor



Bachelor Gown with 4/5 Year Honours Degree Hood.

The Hood is a full shape faced *Blue(157)* and lined with the faculty colour *Maroon (5001)*.

TOURISM & FOOD SCIENCE FACULTY

Graduate Diplomate



Bachelor Gown with four stripe Epitoge.

The Epitoge is in the faculty colour *Maroon (5001)* with four stripes of *Blue (157)*.

10. APPLIED ARTS & CULTURE FACULTY;
ILLUSTRATION OF ACADEMIC DRESS

Two Year Certificant



Bachelor Gown with two stripe Epitoge.

The Epitoge is in the faculty colour *White* (222) with two stripes of *Blue* (157).

APPLIED ARTS & CULTURE FACULTY

Three Year Diploma/Pass Degree



Bachelor Gown with Three Year/Pass Degree Hood.

The Hood is of the Oxford simple shape faced with the faculty colour *White* (222) and lined with *Blue* (157).

APPLIED ARTS & CULTURE FACULTY

4/5 Year Honours Bachelor



Bachelor Gown with 4/5 Year Honours Degree Hood.

The Hood is a full shape faced *Blue(157)* and lined with the faculty colour *White (222)*.

APPLIED ARTS & CULTURE FACULTY

Graduate Diplomat



Bachelor Gown with four stripe Epitoge.

The Epitoge is in the faculty colour *White* (222) with four stripes of *Blue* (157).

11. PROPOSED SENIOR ACADEMIC ROBES

Provision should be made for certain senior academic posts within the Dublin Institute of Technology to be associated with a particular formal academic robe. Existing and possible future posts within this category comprise:-

President

Deputy President

Vice-President

10 Directors

The proposed robes for all of these posts are distinctive to the Dublin Institute of Technology yet in keeping with the international protocol for Chancellors Robes. The following characteristics are common to all of the senior academic robes.

Gown	The proposed gown is made from black (B24) otterman silk stuff cloth having square and sleeves and inverted 'T' opening for the wearers arms. Thus it follows the international protocol for senior academic dress.
Braid	It is proposed to use Shamrock pattern plate lace braid which identifies the robe as being Irish.
Facings	The proposed robes are faced with DIT blue (157) silk facings, a colour not used for any other third level institution in the State.
Ornamentation	The number of frogs or ornaments which adorn the sleeves are indicative of the wearer's status within the Dublin Institute of Technology.

Illustrations of the President and Director's robes are set out on the next two pages of this document. A technical specification for each then follows.



Senior Academic Robes: President



Senior Academic Robes: Directors

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION FOR SENIOR ACADEMIC ROBES

- President** - a gown made from black (B24) otterman silk with 100mm wide facings down each side of otterman blue (157) corded silk, trimmed with 40mm gold shamrock braid which is brought around the back of the yoke at neck line. The neckline seam is covered up by gold cord (180mm) and a button added at the base of the yoke. The front of the gown has three 25mm pleats at each shoulder which are brought around back of the yoke. Each sleeve is decorated with five gold ornaments.

When the incumbent is male, a black suit or dress suit, white shirt with bow tie should be worn. When the incumbent is female, corresponding dress should be worn.

- Deputy President** - a gown made from black (B24) otterman silk with 100mm wide facings down each side of otterman blue (157) corded silk, trimmed with 40mm gold shamrock braid which is brought around the back of the yoke at neck line. The neckline seam is covered up by gold cord (180mm) and a button added at the base of the yoke. The front of the gown has three 25mm pleats at each shoulder which are brought around back of the yoke. Each sleeve is decorated with four gold ornaments.

When the incumbent is male, a black suit or dress suit, white shirt with bow tie should be worn. When the incumbent is female, corresponding dress should be worn.

Vice-President - a gown made from black (B24) otterman silk with 100mm wide facings down each side of otterman blue (157) corded silk, trimmed with 40mm gold shamrock braid which is brought around the back of the yoke at neck line. The neckline seam is covered up by gold cord (180mm) and a button added at the base of the yoke. The front of the gown has three 25mm pleats at each shoulder which are brought around back of the yoke. Each sleeve is decorated with three gold ornaments.

When the incumbent is male, a black suit or dress suit, white shirt with bow tie should be worn. When the incumbent is female, corresponding dress should be worn.

Directors - a gown made from black (B24) otterman silk with 100mm wide facings down each side of otterman blue (157) corded silk, trimmed with 40mm gold shamrock braid which is brought around the back of the yoke at neck line. The neckline seam is covered up by gold cord (180mm) and a button added at the base of the yoke. The front of the gown has three 25mm pleats at each shoulder which are brought around back of the yoke. Each sleeve is decorated with two gold ornaments as shown on the illustration.

When the incumbent is male, a black suit or dress suit, white shirt with bow tie should be worn. When the incumbent is female, corresponding dress should be worn.

HEAD DRESS

BONNET FOR SENIOR ACADEMICS



BONNET

	Bonnet	Cord & Tassel
President	Black	Gold
Deputy President	Black	Gold
Vice-President	Black	Gold
Directors	Black	Gold

12. PROPOSED GOVERNING BODY ROBES

The members of the governing body will also be assigned distinctive robes to indicate their status within the Institute. Each member wears an open sleeve gown made from DIT blue silk. The Chairman is distinguished by having 40mm gold shamrock braid at the edge of the front facings of the gown (see illustration overleaf). The technical specifications for the Chairman and ordinary member robes are set out below:-

- CHAIRMAN** - a gown made from DIT blue (157) with 130mm facing down each side of otterman black (B24) corded silk, trimmed with 40mm gold shamrock braid at the edge of the front facings to leave 90mm of black (24) facing showing. Each open style sleeve has three 25mm pleats at the end of the sleeve and brought up with gold cord, length 90mm and finished off with gold button.
- ORDINARY MEMBER** - a gown made from DIT blue (157) with 130mm facing down each side of otterman black (B24) corded silk. Each open style sleeve has three 25mm pleats at the end of the sleeve and brought up with gold cord, length 90mm and finished off with gold button.

Illustration of the Chairman's Robes are shown overleaf.



Governing Body Robes: Chairman