

# Accessibility for Students Graduating

Congratulations on reaching this significant milestone in your academic journey! We are thrilled to celebrate your achievements at our upcoming graduation event. We understand that some of you may require certain accommodations to help you graduate, rest assured, we are committed to providing support and making necessary arrangements to accommodate you so that everyone can attend and enjoy their graduation.



## **Ticket purchase**

Reach out to your dedicated Accessibility Advisors prior to the graduation event. They are here to help and support, ensuring that all necessary arrangements are made to accommodate your requirements.



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## **On the day of Graduation**

Look out for our University event staff who will be easily identifiable in University branded uniforms. Please make yourself known to a staff member on arrival, they are here to assist you throughout the event.



## **Designated staff member**

If you would like further assistance, a staff person can be nominated to provide specific support to you directly. This would be discussed with you well in advance of your graduation and we would change the support as you see fit.

On arrival you will first engage with the Stage Manager who may then introduce you to another member of staff who will support you all the way. Please share your preferences and concerns with them for a personalised experience.

There are many ways to make your experience relaxing and supportive, that could include bringing a support person to sit with you and/or assist with crossing the stage, we can assist in organising a Sign Language interpreter, support animals are welcome and much more.

We understand that disability related adjustments can vary from person to person. Depending on your specific needs, your graduation experience may differ. Our goal is to create an individualised plan to make your graduation moment and crossing the stage inclusive.



### **Parking and drop-off**

Check the venue information for details on parking and drop-off points. If you require any further arrangements, please contact the venue in advance or inform the staff upon arrival for assistance.



### **Early arrival**

Please arrive around 1 hour prior to the start time of your ceremony. We encourage you to ask for the Stage Manager who you can meet and ask any questions. The stage manager is a great source of knowledge for the entire event. This will allow sufficient time to discuss, if you have any specific needs, ensuring that everyone involved is comfortable with the arrangements.



### **Venue information**

Check the venue information provided for the graduation event. If you have any venue-specific questions or concerns regarding your requirements, don't hesitate to contact the venue directly. The staff are there to assist you and provide relevant information.

Please see links for further information on each of our Graduation venues, please don't hesitate to contact them if you have any questions.

- Launceston: **TBC**
- Devonport: **[paranapleartscentre.com.au/accessibility](https://paranapleartscentre.com.au/accessibility)**
- Hobart: **[mystatebankarena.com.au/venue-information#accessibility](https://mystatebankarena.com.au/venue-information#accessibility)**
- Sydney: **[cityrecitalhall.com/visit/accessibility](https://cityrecitalhall.com/visit/accessibility)**

We are committed to making your graduation day memorable and accommodating. If you have any further questions or concerns, do not hesitate to reach out to our team at **[graduation.events@utas.edu.au](mailto:graduation.events@utas.edu.au)**