



DO COMMENCEMENT GEORGIA CAMPUS

Hooding Policy

The Dean of the College hoods all graduates. However, there are two instances when PCOM will extend the privilege of hooding a graduate to a guest:

- 1) The graduate has a family member, who is either an osteopathic or allopathic physician. Family member is defined and limited to: a spouse, mother, father, sister, or brother. This privilege is limited to one Guest Hooder per graduate in order to expedite the ceremony and to be fair to all of our graduates.
- 2) The graduate has a close relationship with a member of the PCOM Board of Trustees. This privilege will be limited to one graduate per Board member in order to expedite the ceremony and to be fair to all of our graduates.

There are no exceptions to this policy.

FAQS:

How do I request a “Guest Hooder”?

You must complete the “Hooding Information Survey” by **April 1st**.

What is the “Guest Hooding Information” survey?

This survey will ask you to provide us with: the name and email address of your Guest Hooder, their year and place of medical school graduation, their relationship to you, and their gown ordering information.

Where can I find the “Guest Hooding Information” survey?

The link to the survey is located on the “Guest Hooders Policy” channel on Nucleus.

What does a “Guest Hooder” do?

Guest Hooders process into the Commencement Ceremony with PCOM faculty and sit on stage during the event. At the appropriate time, they will be directed to come forward to assist with your hooding after which they will return to their seats. At the conclusion of the Ceremony, Guest Hooders process out with the faculty and return to the faculty marshalling room to return their cap and gown.

How will my “Guest Hooder” know where and when to report?

Two weeks prior to the Commencement, Guest Hooder will receive an email with specific on where and when to report and how to pick up their cap and gown.

How and when does my Guest Hooder receive their cap and gown?

All Guest Hooders wear PCOM colors for the Commencement Ceremony. They pick up their rental cap and gown on the day of the event. Details will be included in the email they receive two weeks prior to the event.