

Chiang Mai University Announcement On Guidelines on Attire and Conduct for Graduates at the 60th Chiang Mai University Commencement Ceremony

Chiang Mai University 60^{th} Commencement Ceremony will be held on Tuesday, January 6, and Wednesday, January 7, 2026 at the Chiang Mai University Convention Center.

To ensure the ceremony is held successfully, the University hereby issues the Announcement on Guidelines and Dress Codes for graduates participating in the rehearsal day and the commencement day. These guidelines are established to uphold the solemnity and formality of the occasion.

A. Attire

1. Rehearsal Days on 3rd - 4th January 2026

- Graduates must attire themselves formally, ensuring that their hairstyle is neat and clean. The shoes worn must be the same as those intended for the Commencement Day. T-shirts are prohibited.
- Male Graduates must wear button-up shirts and formal trousers or slacks. Jeans are prohibited.
- Female Graduates must wear formal blouses and skirts or formal long dresses. Skirts must be crafted from thick, opaque, and dark materials. They should be knee-length, not too long, nor too tight, to allow for ease of movement during rehearsals.

2. Grand Rehearsal Day on 5th January 2026

- Graduates must dress and conduct themselves in the same manner as they will on the Commencement Day.

3. Commencement Day on 6th – 7th January 2026

- All graduates must wear the special occasion uniform beneath the graduation gown.

3.1 Graduation Gown

The Chiang Mai Graduation Gown must be worn in accordance with the University's regulations as outlined in the 2009 Announcement. Graduates are expected to signify their readiness for the Commencement Ceremony by wearing the complete academic regalia, which consists of the following: 1. Graduation gown; 2. Graduation hood; 3. Graduation cap. The gown should be worn so that it is approximately 15 centimeters above the ankle. Graduates must wear the complete regalia and are prohibited from wearing only parts of it.

3.2 Attire for Male Graduates

- 1) White button-up shirt with long sleeves, free of any decorations or patterns, and not skin-tight. The shirt should be tucked into the trousers, with sleeves buttoned closed.
 - 2) Purple necktie, without any brooch attached.
 - 3) Long-sleeved white blazer.
 - 4) Universal white trousers.
- 5) Black leather belt with a square silver buckle embossed with the Chiang Mai University logo.
 - 6) Black socks without patterns.
- 7) Black leather dress shoes, free of patterns or metal decorations, with no sharp tips.
- 8) Hairstyle must be short, polite, and neatly groomed. The hair should not be spiked or cover the graduate's face.
 - 9) Graduates must be clean-shaven unless prohibited by religious beliefs.
 - 10) Male Sikh graduates may wear turbans appropriate to their religious beliefs.

3.3 Attire for Female Graduates

- 1) Plain white shirt with short sleeves slightly above the elbow, featuring an Albany collar and placket front, buttoned through the front, and not skin-tight. The shirt should have 4–5 buttons embossed with the Chiang Mai University logo and should be long enough to be neatly tucked into the skirt. A CMU elephant logo brooch must be affixed to the left chest. No brooches are to be attached to the collar.
 - 2) Plain purple skirt, knee-length, with an overlapping split at the back.
- 3) Black leather or suede belt with a silver-colored square buckle embossed with the Chiang Mai University logo.
 - 4) Full-length, beige tights without patterns.
- 5) Plain black court shoes with closed heels and rounded or square toes, free of decorative perforations, patterns, or pointed tips. The heel should be between 1–2.5 inches in height and not overly sharp.
- 6) Hairstyle must be polite, avoiding overly fashionable styles, high buns, or loose hair that may cover the left side of the face.
- 7) Black hairpins are permitted to secure the graduation cap, with a maximum of two pins per location and eight pins in total.
- 8) No ribbons, flowers, wooden, metal, or plastic ornaments are to be attached to the hair.
- 9) Graduates are advised to avoid undergarments with metal components, as they must pass through metal detectors.
- 10) Pregnant female graduates wearing maternity gowns are required to wear the same shirt as other female graduates, though the shirt need not be tucked in. The rim of the purple skirt may be secured with an elastic band, and the skirt length should not exceed the length of the graduation gown.
- 11) Female Muslim graduates may wear a plain black hijab without patterns or decorations beneath the graduation cap. The shirt should be plain white with long sleeves, worn under the academic gown as per the regulations. The purple skirt must not exceed the length of the graduation gown. However, a plain black skirt of modest length may exceed the gown's length.
- 12) Female Christian clergy may dress according to their religious regulations under the graduation gown.

B. Conduct

- 1. Governmental officers: Soldiers, police officials, and state enterprise officers are permitted to wear their special occasion government white uniform. However, the government uniform's cap is not allowed. The graduation gown and cap should be worn over the uniform. For military personnel and police officers, swords and gloves are prohibited.
- 2. For Graduates who are governmental officers, including military or police officials, they must wear their special occasion government uniform.
- Male graduates are required to have their hair cut short according to governmental, military, or police regulations as follows:
- Military Personnel: The top length of the hair must be no longer than 3 centimeters, and the other three sides must be shaved.
- Police Officials: The top length of the hair must be no longer than 5 centimeters, and the other three sides must be no longer than 1 centimeter.
- Female graduates must ensure that their hair does not reach shoulder-length or cover the epaulettes. If their hair is long, it must be neatly tied with a black net or black hairband.
- 3. Only natural hair color is permitted, with no highlights or artificial coloring. If hair is dyed, it must be a consistent black or dark brown shade.
- 4. Non-prescription sunglasses or tinted glasses are not allowed. Graduates may wear eyeglasses with polite-colored frames (dark colors only). Fashionable glasses are considered impolite. The lenses should be transparent and free of color or reflective ornaments. Color-adjustable lenses should be avoided.
 - 5. Only transparent and natural-colored contact lenses are permitted.
- 6. Only neutral-tone makeup is permitted, and light-reflecting makeup, such as glitter, should be avoided.
- 7. Graduates must keep their fingernails short and well-groomed. Nail polish and acrylic nails are prohibited.
- 8. The following items are strictly prohibited within the Hall during the rehearsal and commencement days:
 - 8.1 All electronic and communication devices.
 - 8.2 Wallets, banknotes, coins, cards, jewelry, and other valuables.
 - 8.3 Medications, artificial tears, food, snacks, drinks, and cigarettes.
 - 8.4 Cosmetics.
 - 8.5 Weapons, sharp objects, and items that may cause sparks.
 - 8.6 Stationery.

This announcement is hereby publicly made.

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