

INFORMATION
ABOUT GRADUATION

THURSDAY 30TH JUNE AND FRIDAY 1ST JULY 2016
BOURNEMOUTH PAVILION

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INTRODUCTION TO GRADUATION

Your graduation is an occasion to remember and this booklet is designed to give you all the information you require before, during and after the ceremony.

By following our simple checklist on page 11, you can make all the necessary arrangements in advance so that your ceremony will go as smoothly as possible.

You might want to let your friends and family know that this booklet is available to download from our website at aub.ac.uk/graduation

Best wishes,

The Graduation Team



VENUE

Graduation ceremonies will be held at Bournemouth Pavilion which is located in the town centre.

Venue details are as follows:

Bournemouth Pavilion

Westover Road
Bournemouth
Dorset
BH1 2BA

The Pavilion is a Grade II listed venue and was built in the 1920s with classic art deco design. Adding to the thriving cultural quarter in the town, the Pavilion is also home to Pavilion Dance, Bournemouth's national dance house operated by Dance South West and AUB's BA dance course.

STAYING IN BOURNEMOUTH

If you wish to stay in Bournemouth during graduation, the Bournemouth Tourism website features an extensive range of accommodation.

For further information please visit bournemouth.co.uk or telephone +44 1202 451734.

TRAVEL

ARRIVING BY PUBLIC TRANSPORT

If you are arriving in Bournemouth by public transport (coach or train) you will arrive at the Travel Interchange, which is located in the Lansdowne area of Bournemouth.

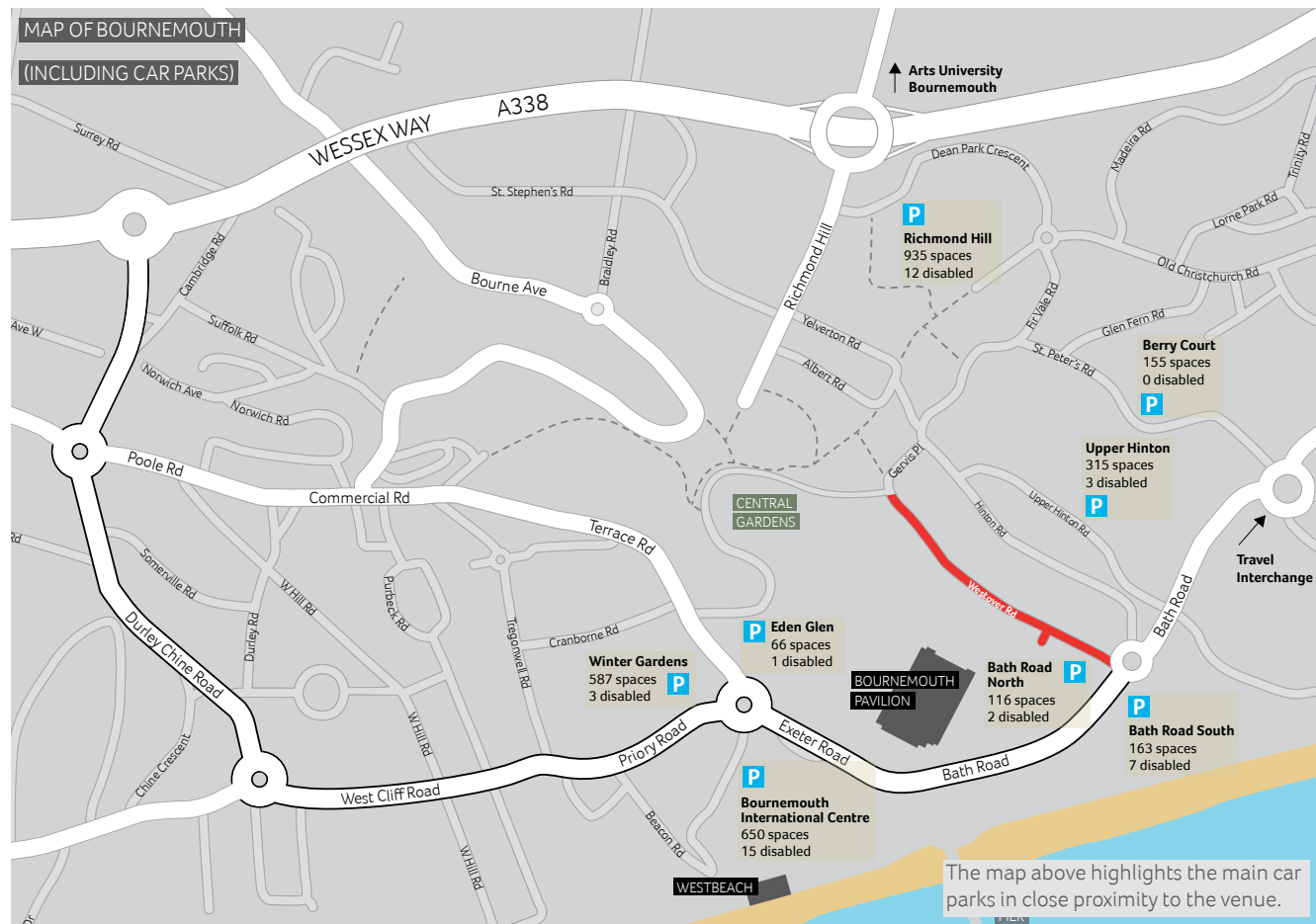
Upon arrival you will be able to make your way to the venue by bus or taxi.

Yellow Buses, Wilts and Dorset/Go South Coast buses including 'More' buses operate regular services between the Travel Interchange and Bournemouth Pavilion (located on Westover Road).

We would recommend that you travel to the venue by taxi in order to avoid delays. There is a taxi rank located directly outside of the train station terminal. A taxi journey to the venue will take approximately 10 minutes. Streamline Warrens Taxis offer a 10% discount to AUB students.

ARRIVING BY CAR

If you are arriving to Bournemouth by car you will be able to park at any one of the car parks located in the town centre - most of which are just a short walking distance away from the venue.



SCHEDULE OF CEREMONIES AND TIMETABLE	Day 1 – Thursday 30th June Ceremony 1	Day 2 – Friday 1st July Ceremony 2	Day 2 – Friday 1st July Ceremony 3
Please arrive at Bournemouth Pavilion and make your way to the Ballroom via the external entrance located on the east side of the building marked 'STUDENT GOWNING'. Please note: - Students will not be able to enter via the main entrance - Guests will not be able to accompany students to the gowning room - Don't forget to bring your gowning number supplied by Ede and Ravenscroft	12.30	9.30	12.30
Ceremony commences	14.00 - 15.15 Master of Architecture MA Architecture: Spatial Practices MA Graphic Design MA Illustration BA (Hons) Architecture BA (Hons) Graphic Design BA (Hons) Interior Architecture BA (Hons) Illustration BA (Hons) Modelmaking BA (Hons) Visual Communication	11.00 - 12.15 MA Fashion MA Fine Art MA Commercial Photography BA (Hons) Commercial Photography BA (Hons) Fashion BA (Hons) Fine Art BA (Hons) Photography BA (Hons) Textiles Bournemouth and Poole College FdA Performing Arts (Music Theatre) FdA Performing Arts (Contemporary Dance) FdA Performing Arts (Contemporary Theatre Performance)	14.00 - 15.15 MA Animation Production MA Film Production MA Interactive Media BA (Hons) Acting BA (Hons) Costume and Performance Design BA (Hons) Arts and Events Management BA (Hons) Film Production BA (Hons) Make Up for Media and Performance BA (Hons) Animation Production
Re-group with guests on the lower outside terraces before making your way to the Waterfront Marquee for the post-ceremony reception. AUB staff will direct you to the venue.	15.15 to 15.30	12.15 to 12.30	15.15 to 15.30
Post-ceremony reception at the Waterfront Marquee.	15.30 to 16.30	12.30 to 13.30	15.30 to 16.30
Make your way to Pavilion Dance for professional photographs and gown return. AUB staff will direct you to the venue. NB: Gown return closes at 18.00	16.30 to 18.00	13.30 to 16.00	16.30 to 18.00

Find out more about Graduation at aub.ac.uk/graduation

TICKETS

It is **FREE** for students to graduate. As part of the experience students will receive a glass of champagne and a gift.

Guest tickets are £25.00. The cost includes a ticket, commemorative brochure and a glass of champagne. Each student is guaranteed **THREE** guest tickets.

Tickets will be sold via MyAUB (e-Vision) and can only be purchased by students. Notification of the on-sale date will be sent via email to students' AUB email addresses. The deadline for registration and purchasing tickets is **8th April 2016**.

Graduation packs (including tickets) will be dispatched at the beginning of June to the students' choice of term or home address, or collection from the Graduation Office. Please ensure that if you select 'term time' address that you will still be occupying the property.

Replacement tickets will incur an administration fee.

CEREMONY ARRANGEMENTS (STUDENTS)

Once gowned, you will need to locate the other members of your course and wait together in the Pavilion ballroom. A course usher will be expecting you and will ask you to line up in alphabetical order. You will then be led into the theatre and shown to your seat.

Once you have been shown to your seat you will be expected to remain in place unless asked otherwise. Please remember this is a formal occasion and we ask you to act accordingly.

Your usher will let you know when it is your courses' turn to graduate. You will be expected to follow your usher (staying in the alphabetical order you have been put in) to the stage area where you will need to remain until your name is announced.

You will enter the stage via a short flight of stairs, from which you will walk across the stage to the centre where the Chairman will shake your hand before collecting a scroll containing your temporary certificate. Please then walk off stage, exiting via a short flight of stairs, where your course usher will be ready to collect you and take you back to your original seat.

When the ceremony is over you will leave the venue using the signposted exit. Once you have left you will be able to re-group with your friends and family before heading to the post-ceremony Champagne reception at the Waterfront Marquee.

CEREMONY ARRANGEMENTS (GUESTS)

The doors will open approximately half an hour before each ceremony begins.

Entry to Bournemouth Pavilion is strictly by ticket only and no exceptions will be made. If you lose your tickets you must inform us in advance so replacements may be issued.

Seating is on a first-come-first-served basis. Unfortunately seats cannot be reserved. **If you or your guests are blue badge holders please inform us in advance of the ceremony so that appropriate arrangements can be made. A minimum of four weeks advance notification must be given. Please email graduation@aub.ac.uk.**

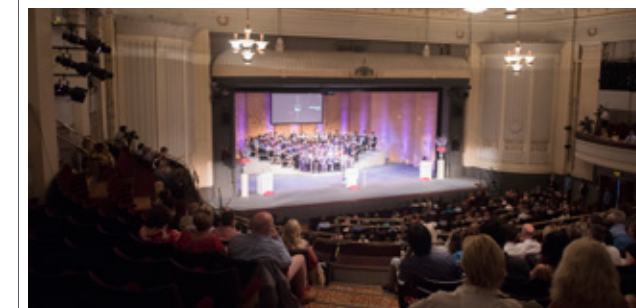
Due to health and safety reasons guests who arrive at Bournemouth Pavilion without tickets will not be admitted under any circumstances.

Unfortunately there are no storage facilities available in Bournemouth Pavilion. Students and guests are therefore advised to keep coats and bags to a minimum.

Non-flash photographs may be taken with hand-held cameras only. Please do not use the flash as this is very distracting for the participants. In addition we ask you to remain seated at all times and take care not to obstruct the aisles, emergency exits or the view of other guests when taking photographs. All mobile phones should be switched off upon entering Bournemouth Pavilion and remain so until the ceremony is over.

At the end of each ceremony, we ask guests to remain seated until the academic (staff and student) procession has left. Thereafter you will be ushered to the exit where you will be able to meet up with the other members of your party and enjoy a glass of champagne at the post-ceremony reception on the waterfront.

It is advised that guests should bring an umbrella, as the weather in July can be unpredictable.



GOWN HIRE

All students are required to wear academic dress (gowns) during their ceremony and these must be hired from Ede and Ravenscroft.

The cost for gown hire is:

- BA gown: £45.00
- MA gown: £51.00

You can order your gown online at Ede and Ravenscroft's website at gownhire.co.uk, but before you do so, you will need to make a note of your head, chest and height measurements. Gowns can also be ordered over the telephone (+44 1223 861854) but this will incur a £5.00 charge.

Gown orders can be placed from **31st March 2016** and the deadline for orders is **5th June 2016**.

Please note that you will not be able to order and pay for a gown on the day.

GOWN COLLECTION

Gown collection will take place in the Ballroom at Bournemouth Pavilion. Students will enter the Ballroom via the external side entrance which will be signposted. Please ensure you arrive **no later than 90 minutes** prior to the commencement of your ceremony.

There are a large number of students to be gowned so queues will be unavoidable, but arriving early will help. We recommend you arrive at the Ballroom **90 minutes** before your ceremony begins. Parents and guests are requested not to queue with students due to lack of space, and instead wait at the front of Bournemouth Pavilion.

GOWN RETURN

You will need to return your gown to Ede and Ravenscroft at the end of the day, no later than 18.00. Ede and Ravenscroft gown return (and photography) is located at Pavilion Dance and will be signposted.

PHOTOGRAPHY

Professional photography studios will be located at Pavilion Dance. The studios will be open on the day of Graduation and you will be able to have your photograph taken post ceremony. You may order a photography package in advance via the website gownhire.co.uk or pay on the day.

Ede and Ravenscroft will also aim to take a picture of you during the ceremony, as you cross the stage. Your picture will be available to view approximately four days after the ceremony and you will be able to purchase it directly from their website: gownhire.co.uk.

Did you know that the AUB Careers Service offers you impartial and confidential advice and guidance for up to two years after graduation? The service includes:

- Guidance on choosing a career
- Jobseeking strategies
- Preparing effective CVs and applications
- Self-employment and freelancing
- Further study opportunities
- Volunteering and work experience
- Career planning and preparation

In addition, there are a range of online resources to assist alumni with career exploration in the 'employability' section of the website. Notably the Job Shop lets students and graduates know about relevant vacancies and work experience: aub.ac.uk/jobshop.



Graduation is a transitional time and some people may experience feelings of loss or fear of the future. The Student Counselling Service is available for help and support beyond that offered by friends, family and tutors. Sessions are held in a private and confidential setting with a fully qualified professional male or female counsellor who will listen sympathetically and without prejudice.

Counselling is designed to help you see your individual situation more clearly. We will explore and help you work through any difficult feelings that may emerge. It is also a useful tool for personal development and can help you manage stress and anxiety which may particularly affect students in their final year. For further information please contact Student Services on +44 1202 363105 or email studentadvice@aub.ac.uk.





When you complete your course and leave AUB you will automatically become a member of the AUB Alumni Association.

We encourage all graduates to stay part of the AUB community and keep in touch with us as well as the friends you made during your time here.

AUB Alumni benefits include:

- Alumni magazine twice a year
- Invitations to alumni talks and events
- 20% discount on AUB MA degree courses
- Use of the AUB Library facilities
- 10% discount on AUB Short Courses
- Free careers advice for two years after Graduation and the opportunity to attend careers presentations
- Discounted membership of the sports hall, gym and facilities at Sport BU (Bournemouth University)
- Discounted use of the old school house co-working space

Find out more at aub.ac.uk/alumni

BEFORE GRADUATION HAVE YOU...

- Completed the Graduation Booking Form and paid for your tickets? **The deadline is 8th April 2016.**
- Ordered your gown and (if appropriate) photography package with Ede and Ravenscroft? You will need to know your head, chest and height measurements before placing your order. **The deadline is 5th June 2016.**
- Planned your journey in advance? Hotels in Bournemouth book up quickly during the Graduation dates, so make your reservation as early as possible.
- Booked your travel tickets (if applicable)?
- Decided which car park you are going to use on the day (if applicable)?
- Informed the Graduation Office if you or any of your guests are blue badge holders?
- Paid any outstanding fees (course, library etc.). Please note AUB reserves the right not to admit you to the Graduation ceremonies if you have any outstanding fees or debts.

ON THE DAY DO YOU...

- Have your Graduation pack and guest tickets?
- Have your Ede and Ravenscroft Booking Number so that you can collect your gown?
- Know where you are going? Do you have a copy of the venue map?
- Have a car parking map of Bournemouth? Some of the car parks allow you to pay by debit/credit card but it is worth bringing some extra change just in case!

TIPS FOR STUDENTS

- Don't wear your hair up as your mortarboard (hat) may not stay on. You may want to bring kirby hair grips to help keep your mortarboard in place.
- If wearing a shirt, make sure collar is stiff enough to pin your gown and hood to.
- Don't wear really high heeled shoes as ascending and descending the stairs are steep.
- Bring some safety pins too so that you can attach your gown/hood to your clothes.

DISCLAIMER

Your name and course may be printed in the Bournemouth Daily Echo newspaper on Graduation day. To opt out, please email the Graduation Office.

During Graduation you will be filmed for the live webcast of the ceremonies and also for the commemorative DVD.

If you have your photograph taken by an AUB roving photographer please note that your image may be used for future AUB marketing materials (print and online). Photographs of children under 16 will not be taken without parental permission. If you do not wish your photograph to be taken please let the photographer know.

If you require this booklet in an alternative format please contact the Graduation Office.

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