

FAQs for iam Graduations

How do I book my robes?

Northam's will be the official robe company for the **iam**, to order your robes for the graduation please visit the Northam's website to reserve your robe all information can be found on the **iam** website. To visit the Northam's website directly please use this link www.wmnortham.co.uk/northams

Do we have to wear robes?

You do not have to wear the robes to graduate although most people do so and it is part of the atmosphere of the day.

What should I wear?

Smart dress is the dress code for the day. The colours of the hood are red and blue, so try and avoid clashing; the robes themselves are black. The robes and hood are quite heavy and need something to cling to at the front – jacket/ fitted blouse with a button/ heavy top that it could be pinned to. They are also quite warm, so don't wear too much underneath and be too hot.

What should my family and guests wear?

There are no formal dress codes for guests, but please wear smart attire to add to the professional atmosphere of the day.

Are there a maximum number of guests I can bring?

We guarantee to seat **two guests** per graduand. We can not promise to seat more than the allocated two guests per graduand due to space restrictions. However if you wish to bring more guests please submit a request with your application form. We will put your additional guest on a waiting list and notify you with whether we can accommodate them or not prior to the day.

Will I get robed and photographed?

There is an hour and a half allocated for graduand's to receive their robe and to have their photograph taken prior to the ceremony so please make sure you arrive with adequate time to allow for this. Photographs will be taken by Northam's on the day and will be available to purchase after the event. A minimum of **30 minutes** is required to have your robe fitted and your photograph taken so please allow for this.

What is the price for children?

Children under the age of 12 can attend free of charge but children over 12 are classed as guests and will be required to pay. Unfortunately the **iam** is unable to offer the graduation free of charge.

Why is there a charge for the ceremony?

The ceremony is heavily subsidised by the **iam** and a small contribution is required to go some way towards the venue costs, catering and preparation of the graduation ceremony.



Is there anywhere to get anything to eat?

The Royal Over-Seas League is right in the heart of London, and there are many shops and restaurants nearby.

Special Requirements

If you have any special requirements e.g. disabilities, food allergies etc, please mention this information in the allocated space on the graduation order form.

What should I do if I am running late?

If you are unable to attend then please let us know as soon as possible. If on the day, you are unable to attend or are running late, then please call the Royal Over-Seas League on +44 (0)20 7408 0214 and leave a message.

What should I do if I can't attend the Graduation?

If you unfortunately have to cancel your place, please notify the **iam** as soon as possible. The **iam** will offer a full refund if you notify us within 14 days prior to the event. Unfortunately after 14 days you will no longer be eligible for a refund.