

TEXAS SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY

THURGOOD MARSHALL SCHOOL OF LAW

Spring 2023 Hooding Ceremony FAQ

This FAQ is prepared to facilitate graduates, faculty, administration, staff, and guests attending the Thurgood Marshall School of Law 2023 Hooding Ceremony in person on campus.

1. Hooding Ceremony Date and Time

Thurgood Marshall School of Law 2023 Hooding Ceremony will be held on **Friday, May 12th, 2023, from 6:00 - 8:00 pm.**

2. Hooding Ceremony Location

The hooding program will be held in the TSU Health & Physical Education Arena (HP&E). Please refer to the campus map for the location, <http://tsu.edu/about/campus/index.html>.

3. Attire for the Hooding Ceremony

Graduates: Academic Regalia for Hooding

Faculty: Academic Regalia

Family Hooding Person: Business formal or Academic Regalia

4. Reception after the Hooding Ceremony

Snacks will be available in the Lobby [on the first floor at Thurgood Marshall School of Law](#) at the end of Hooding ceremony.

5. Arrival and Leaving TSU Health & Physical Education Arena (HP&E)

Graduates:

Graduates will enter the HP&E Building through the [Main Entrance of the Arena on the first floor](#). Graduates are all required to arrive at the Health & Physical Education Arena at **4:00 p.m. Three classrooms on the first floor are booked for students to wait or change caps and gowns.** At 5:30 p.m., graduates will line up alphabetically in the hallway on the first floor. Law School staff and student ambassadors will assist with the lineup. At 6:00 p.m., the procession will start.

Graduate Name Cards will be distributed to graduates in the HP&E classroom before line up. Please keep your Name Card. When you walk onto the stage for hooding, please provide the Name Card to Assistant Dean Tanisha Green who will introduce graduates' name.

At the beginning of the Ceremony, please follow the staff and student ambassadors' directions to start the processional and be seated on the first floor in the Arena.

At the end of the Ceremony, please follow the staff and student ambassadors' directions to start the recessional.

Faculty:

Faculty will enter the HP&E Building through the **Main Entrance of the Arena on the first floor**. Faculty are all required to arrive at the Health & Physical Education Arena at **5:00 p.m.** **Room 155** on the first floor is booked for faculty and guest speakers to wait or change caps and gowns. At 5:50 p.m., faculty will line up in **Room 155**. Please follow the instruction of faculty marshals (Professor Constance Fain and Professor L. Darnell Weeden) to line up. Law School staff and student ambassadors will assist with the lineup. At 6:00 p.m., the procession will start. The faculty procession will start after the graduates' procession.

Administration and guest speakers will participate in the procession with faculty.

Guests:

All guests are expected to arrive **before 6:00 p.m.** Regular guests will use the HP&E Arena **Main Entrance on the Second Floor** to enter the building. Hooding Program Booklet will be distributed to guests before entering the Arena. **No ticket is needed to attend the ceremony.**

*** Guests with mobile disabilities**

Graduates must submit the Accommodation Request for Visitors with Mobile Disability form https://www.tsulaw.edu/student_affairs/forms/Accommodation-Request-for-Disabled-Visitors-Form.pdf, for guests who need accommodation in order to receive accommodation. Guests with Accommodations can have one person accompany them. Guests with mobile disabilities and his/her company will be admitted into the HP&E Arena through **First Floor Main Entrance** and seated in a reserved area. We strongly suggest guests with accommodations arrive at the HP&E Arena **by 5:00 p.m.**

The Law School does not provide wheelchairs. Persons requiring wheelchairs must bring their own.

Family Hooding Person:

According to the current policy, a graduate may request a family member (spouse, parent, grandparent, or sibling) who has received their JD from Thurgood Marshall School of Law (TMSL) to hood him/her. Only those graduates who submitted the Family Hooder Request form https://www.tsulaw.edu/student_affairs/forms/Graduate-Family-Hooder-Request-Form.pdf, to Dean Ratra are permitted to have the family hooder.

Family Hooders will be admitted into the HP&E Arena through **First Floor Main Entrance** and seated in a reserved area. Family hooders are required to arrive at the HP&E Arena by **5:00 p.m.**

6. Parking

TSU **West Garage** is reserved for graduates and guests parking. It is next to HP&E Arena.

Address: 3001 Blodgett Avenue, Houston, TX77004

Phone number to contact West Garage: (713) 313-4434

7. Livestream link

The Hooding ceremony will be live-streamed. The link will be provided at the time closer to the Hooding ceremony.

8. Graduate Name List on the May 2023 Hooding Program Booklet

The list includes all May 2023 J.D. and LL.M. graduates who submitted the graduation application, December 2022 graduates, and summer 2023 graduates.

9. HP&E Arena Building Layout Map for Hooding Ceremony

The sketch building layout map below does not reflect the actual size of the building, but is only drafted to provide a visual feeling of the event day administrative flow.

