



Hooding Policy

The following relatives have been identified and approved: parents, grandparents, siblings and spouse who are either osteopathic physicians or allopathic physicians. There will be no exceptions to this.

In addition, if there is a close relationship between a graduate and a member of the Board of Trustees, the trustee may participate in the hooding as well. This privilege will be limited to one graduate per Board member in order to expedite the ceremony and be fair to all of our graduates.

Please review the following criteria:

1. The Hooding Information Form should be returned to the Office of Admissions no later than April 1. This form should include the name, relationship, year and place of graduation of your relative as well as cap and gown information. Please sign the form to attest to the truthfulness of the information given.
2. Two weeks prior to graduation, a letter will be sent to the guest hooder with specific instructions.
3. The guest hooders will march in academic procession with PCOM faculty and sit on stage during the ceremony. At the appropriate time, they will be directed to come forward for the hooding after which they will return to their seats and process with faculty at the conclusion of the ceremony.