

29 April 2019

Dear Class of 2019,

**ABERYSTWYTH UNIVERSITY MAURITIUS - GRADUATION 2019**

I am delighted to give you some more details about Graduation 2019, which is to be held at the Hilton Hotel, Flic en Flac on Wednesday July 24<sup>th</sup> from 1.00pm – 4.30pm. You have already been asked to Register for Graduation from Aberystwyth University and I am pleased to say that most of you have already done so. Please see this as an urgent reminder that if you have not already done so, you must register before tomorrow's deadline of 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2019.

The following is information designed to help you and inevitably there might be something that is not covered in which case you are welcome to contact me or another member of the Graduation Team (Rafal, Preetila, Nandita and Krishida).

1. **Gowns:** In order to be allowed to attend the ceremony you **MUST** wear a robe/gown. If you are not wearing a robe/gown you will not be allowed to collect your award at the ceremony. Gown hire will be arranged by us at AUM, but please note the following:
  - A charge of Rs 1000.00 is made for the gown. This should be **paid** into the Aberystwyth Bank account that you paid your fees into with your ID number with the reference GOWNS.
  - On **Monday June 3<sup>rd</sup>** you are asked to come to the Office to be measured for your gown and to have your head measurements taken for the graduation hat - please make sure you have paid your Rs1000.00 by this time)  
**(It is important you do this as gowns/hats are being ordered from the UK this week).**
  - If you have any specific queries on gowns, could you please speak to either Krishida ([kdj@aber.ac.uk](mailto:kdj@aber.ac.uk)) or Bethan ([beo8@aber.ac.uk](mailto:beo8@aber.ac.uk)).
2. **Guests:** You are invited to bring up to a maximum of 5 guests for which there is no charge to the ceremony. It is vitally important that you tell Krishida ([kdj@aber.ac.uk](mailto:kdj@aber.ac.uk)) by 7<sup>th</sup> June 2019 at the latest about how many guests you are bringing together with their names, so that appropriate hospitality arrangements can be made.
3. **Ceremony Information** – As Aberystwyth University is a Welsh university, part of the ceremony, as in the UK, will be in Welsh. Please note timings as follows:
  - 1.00pm – 2.00pm:** the ceremony will take place at the main venue in the Hilton
  - 2.00pm – 2.15pm:** AUM group/course photographs in the main venue  
(please do not leave the room with your families at this time or you may miss the photograph)
  - 2.15pm – 4.30pm:** Garden party cocktail reception to which you and your guests are invited)
4. **Ceremony Rehearsal** – there will be a graduation ceremony rehearsal for staff and students on Tuesday, July 23<sup>rd</sup> at 12.30pm for approximately one and a half hours for staff and students that you are required to attend.
5. **Tickets** - will be issued to you for your guests in good time prior to the rehearsal. Please note these are for you and your guests only and are **not transferable** to anyone else. Should the eventuality occur prior to the ceremony that you do not need the tickets allocated, please return them to the AUM office and speak with either Nandita or Krishida or myself.

Everyone at AUM is looking forward to celebrating this important moment in your careers with you. We want this to go as smoothly as possible for you, your family and your friends, so if there is anything else you wish to discuss, please do not hesitate to contact me or one of the team.

Kind regards,



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