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### Academic Ceremonies

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Promovendi at SLU

## Doctoral award ceremony at SLU 2022

This year's doctoral award ceremony will take place on Saturday 8 October in the Assembly Hall, the Teaching Building, Ultuna campus in Uppsala. At this academic ceremony, new doctors (promovendi) as well as *doctores honoris causa* and jubilee doctors will be conferred their degree of doctor. After the ceremony in the Assembly Hall, all are invited to dinner at Uppsala Castle.

All promovendi are presented in a publication issued for this special occasion. The publication contains forewords by the vice-chancellor, deans, faculty promoters and information regarding promovendi.

### Promovendi

Promovendi are all who publicly defended their doctoral thesis since the previous doctoral award ceremony in October 2019 and have completed – or are about to complete – their degree programme and examination by 31 August 2022 at the very latest.

You are welcome to be conferred your doctoral degree at the doctoral award ceremony this year! To sign up for participation, you need to fill out the registration form at [www.slu.se/promovendi2022](http://www.slu.se/promovendi2022) by **5 June** the latest. The registration form is available in English.

Please note that you need to fill out the registration form even if you have not yet defended your doctoral thesis, but will do so and will be completing your examination by 31 August. You also need to fill out the form if you would like to postpone your degree conferment until another year. If you do not fill out the form, you will be removed from our list.

The above also applies to those who for different reasons postponed their participation last year.

### *Possibility to be conferred absens (in absentia)*

Because of the postponed doctoral award ceremonies due to the pandemic we will offer the possibility to be conferred *absens* this year. Absens means that you do not have to participate in the ceremony to be conferred. Your name will be mentioned in the booklet and in the ceremony and the diploma will be sent to you afterwards.

Please note that you still have to register to be *conferred absens*. Select "I want to be conferred absens". This option is only available for the 2022 ceremony.

### Expenditures connected to the award ceremony

**Travel expenses** – SLU will cover your travelling expenses **within Sweden** that is from your domicile to Uppsala. If you live abroad, you have to cover the travelling expenses yourself. Please note that SLU does not cover any travel expenses for your guest(s).

**Dinner** – You and one guest are invited to the dinner at Uppsala Castle without any cost. For additional guests, the cost for the dinner party is SEK 950.

**Accommodation, doctoral cap/laurel wreath, ring** – Costs for accommodation, doctoral cap/laurel wreath and ring are to be covered by you. The ring is optional but the doctoral cap/laurel crown is compulsory.

**Dress code** – The dress code requires evening gown (floor-length) or full evening dress (tails) with white waistcoat. Costs in connection with the purchase or rental of the evening dress are also to be covered by you. Traditional costume may also be worn providing it is the type used at solemn occasions.

### Insignia (symbols)

Insignia are the symbolic signs of honour that are part of the doctoral award ceremony. Some of them, like the book and the épée, are long gone. Those that remain are the hat, the laurel wreath, the ring and the diploma. All except the ring are compulsory for the promovendi. If the cost of a hat is making you hesitate to take part in the ceremony, consider borrowing one from a colleague. The diploma is free of charge.

**Doctoral ring** – The doctoral ring is not compulsory and no rings will be handed over at the ceremony. If you wish to purchase a ring, you can order one from one of the suggested goldsmiths:

Rolf Guldsmed AB

Celsiushuset, Svartbäcksgatan 7, Uppsala, Phone: 018-15 05 90

Price: From SEK 7,000 depending on the ring (weight and size).

Guldsmed Stefan Carlsson

Vretgränd 6A, Uppsala, Phone: 018-12 57 08

Price: From SEK 7,000 depending on the ring (weight and size).

Guldsmedjan i Umeå AB

Renmarkstorget 6, Umeå, Phone: 090-12 80 30

Price: From SEK 7,000 depending on the ring (weight and size).

**The doctoral cap** is compulsory at the ceremony for those being conferred the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in **agriculture, veterinary medicine, forestry or technology**. You can either buy a cap of your own or borrow one from a colleague. If using a borrowed doctoral cap, please make sure that it has the correct mark, i.e.

if you are to be conferred the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Agronomy the cap needs to have an agronomy mark. If you need a new mark for a borrowed or inherited cap, please contact goldsmith Stefan Carlsson, +46 (0)18-12 57 08, [guldsmed.stefan@me.com](mailto:guldsmed.stefan@me.com), for price and delivery times. SLU has a few doctoral caps available for rent. Primarily for those who have no other way of finding a doctoral cap (contact [ceremonier@slu.se](mailto:ceremonier@slu.se) for more information).

Please check well in advance if you need to wear a cap. There are only two manufacturers. One of these has a very early deadline, see below.

- **Bergmans konfektion**  
Drottninggatan 4, Uppsala, Phone: 018-13 06 63,  
mail: [info@bergmanskonfektion.se](mailto:info@bergmanskonfektion.se).  
**Deadline** for ordering a doctoral cap at Bergmans - **15 August**.  
Please call or send an e-mail for instructions and order.
- **Hattmakarna (Lisa Franzéns Modist och Hattmakeri)**  
V. Skansg. 1B, Göteborg, Phone: 031-711 89 59.  
**NOTE! Deadline** for ordering a doctoral cap at Hattmakarna- **5 June**.  
For information and order: [www.hattmakarna.se](http://www.hattmakarna.se).

If you are unsure about anything regarding the cap, please contact the master of ceremonies at [ceremonier@slu.se](mailto:ceremonier@slu.se).

**The laurel wreath** is worn by **doctors of philosophy only** (FD/PhD Philosophy). The organisation committee will order all laurel wreaths and this is why you have to provide us with the measurement of your head on the registration form. An invoice for the cost of the laurel wreath (SEK 950) will be sent to you after the doctoral award ceremony.

### Information regarding the registration procedure

In late June, an invitation to the award ceremony together with instructions for the next step of the registration procedure will be provided to those of you replying at [www.slu.se/promovendi2022](http://www.slu.se/promovendi2022) that you want to participate this year. In this second step of the registration procedure, you will be able to register guests for the ceremony and dinner.

Please note that **the registration procedure consists of two steps** and you have to complete your registration at the link provided above **as well as** reply at the link we will send to you in June if you wish to participate in the ceremony this year. Please make sure to provide us with an accurate postal address as well as your e-mail address.

Should you wish to participate this year, please make a note in your agenda for the final rehearsal (compulsory) in the evening of Friday 7 October at 18.00 and the ceremony on Saturday 8 October (gathering at 15.00).

For more information regarding the ceremony, please visit [www.slu.se/academic-events](http://www.slu.se/academic-events).

If you have any questions, please contact us at [ceremonier@slu.se](mailto:ceremonier@slu.se), 018-67 18 00, the undersigned, [jenny.salgeback@slu.se](mailto:jenny.salgeback@slu.se), 018-67 10 74 or Helena Pennlöv Smedberg, [helena.pennlov.smedberg@slu.se](mailto:helena.pennlov.smedberg@slu.se), 018-67 15 42.

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