

Milligan prof to discuss state of academic regalia

MILLIGAN COLLEGE, Tenn. (Oct. 4, 2016) — Milligan College film studies professor Kenny Suit will address the history and protocol of academic costume in his upcoming lecture, "Cap and Frown: How Academic Dress Has Become an Academic Mess." The lecture will be on Tuesday, October 18, at 6 p.m. in Derthick Lecture Hall and is free and open to the public.

"Academic caps, gowns and hoods are such an iconic part of collegiate life, yet most people know very little about the history of those garments," said Suit, who is a member of The Burgon Society, a British academic fellowship founded to promote the study of international academic dress.

In his lecture, Suit will explain the rules of academic dress and what they are supposed to communicate.

"Academia and our academic costumes have evolved in some very confusing ways over the last century, making the symbolic nature of the costumes hard to understand," said Suit, who plans to propose some possible solutions to these problems.

Milligan's faculty lecture series will continue on Thursday, Nov. 10, at 6 p.m. in Wilson Auditorium with church history professor Dr. Paul Blowers lecturing on Maximus the Confessor.

For more information about Kenny Suit click [here](#).

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