

UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS

SENIOR PHOTOS GUIDE



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ABOUT



hello there!

i'm **alice**, a fourth year chemistry major at the university of texas at austin. i've been taking senior portraits for grads here since fall of 2016 and decided to put together this comprehensive guide to help you make the most out of your senior session.

i hope these tips will help you have a fun, stress-free photo session that you can come out of with keepsakes to commemorate this era of your life.

WEAR



something
formal



something
casual



something
you

the most important thing is to wear something you feel **comfortable** and **confident** in. how you feel about yourself is reflected in how your pictures turn out. whatever outfits you choose, own them! most grads tend to go for a dressier outfit, but if bringing 2-3 outfits, you have the opportunity to throw in a casual one too. i had a few grads recently who also brought traditional mexican and nigerian dresses - embrace what makes you you when choosing what to wear.

WHAT

what should i bring?

- **props!** i had a few nursing grads fall 2018 who brought their scrubs, stethoscopes, and textbooks for some cute photos. other fun props are champagne (to pop in the fountain), balloon bouquets (white and gold is a good color option if you don't know what to choose, with numbers to rep your class too), and confetti (the long, streamer kind that's easy to clean up).
- **walking shoes** - if you're planning to wear heels, just bring an easy change of shoes for walking across campus so you don't get blisters and sore feet.
- don't forget your **stole**, **cap**, **tassel**, **gown**, and any **cords** you might have. (the uniform of a graduate)
- **friends!** or your sister, mom, or whoever; bring someone to tag along to help you carry your stuff (especially if you have multiple outfits and props), make you smile, and help your best self shine through your photos.



WHERE

take into account
travel time when
prioritizing which
locations to hit during
your scheduled session

some other popular spots:

- architecture courtyard
- university of texas stone bench on mlk
- stadium ut seal
- the greenhouse (by the turtle pond)
- mezes courtyard
- communications bridge on dean keeton



gearing



blue door



tower

and most importantly....
congratulations!

