

UNIVERSITY BADGE – Pre 1937

Photograph of a University Badge used before the adoption of the present Coat of Arms in 1937.

Transparency and enlarged colour print of a small metal brooch badge, worn in the 1930's, lent by Mr and Mrs Lewis (through Mr B. Wilson). See UT 365

This badge was probably a badge of the Tasmania University Union, and is based on the official Common Seal of the University, omitting the star and rose and the inscription, with the addition of a punning motto IN UNITATEM UNI.TAS, it also appears on the TUU magazine Platypus and may have been adopted in the 1920's when the Union first sent teams to Inter-Varsity sports.

The original University Common Seal was the seal of the Tasmanian Council of Education, whose functions were taken over by the University on its foundation in 1890, with the inscription altered to read: UNIVERSITY OF TASMANIA COMMON SEAL 1890. (not altered until 1902, TCE one continued)