## **MACE**<sup>a</sup>

The mace is a heavy staff made of wood and metal and graced by the seal of the University of the Philippines. There are two types of mace: the President's Mace and the Constituent University's Chancellor's Mace. Each of the maces symbolizes the authority of the University President and the Chancellor, respectively. The University President's mace is carried by the Secretary of the University, who precedes the President during academic processions. The Chancellor's mace is carried by the University Registrar, who precedes the Chancellor during academic processions. The President's as well as the Chancellor's mace, occupies a prominent place during such activities as commencement and investiture ceremonies. Facing the audience, the President's mace is placed at the right side of the stage, while the Chancellor's mace is placed at the left side of the stage.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>Handbook on Protocol in the University of the Philippines, UP OSU, 2005