Approved Academic Cords for Commencement Participants

Academic Cord Guidelines
Braided cords only recognize university-approved academic honors distribute academic colleges. Cords distributed by groups or organizations not included (i.e. outside of the Division of Academic Affairs) on this list may not be worn at any Towson University commencement ceremony. Only the following organizations may distribute braided cords for commencement ceremony participants. The Office of the Provost in consultation with academic colleges determined this list.

College of Business & Economics
Beta Gamma Sigma (Royal Blue and Gold)

College of Education
Kappa Delta Pi (Purple and Green)

College of Liberal Arts
Pi Delta Phi (Red, White and Blue) – Department of Foreign Languages
Sigma Delta Pi (Red and Yellow) – Department of Foreign Languages
Gamma Kappa Alpha (Red, White and Green) – Department of Foreign Languages
Gamma Theta Upsilon (Pale blue, Brown, and Gold) – Department of Geography
Pi Sigma Alpha (Red and White) – Department of Political Science
Psi Chi (Gray and Blue) – Department of Psychology
Psychology Honors Thesis (Gold) – Department of Psychology

Fisher College of Science & Mathematics
Beta Beta Beta (Red and Green) – Department of Biology

College of Fine Arts & Communication
Pi Kappa Delta (Purple and Green) – Department of Mass Communication & Communication Studies
National Honors Society of Dance Arts (Light Blue and White) – Department of Dance

College of Health Professions
Eta Sigma Gamma Health Education Honor Society (Green and Gold)
   Department of Health Science
Sigma Phi Omega (Blue and Gold cord or medallion)
   Department of Interprofessional Health Studies (Gerontology)
Upsilon Delta Phi (Red and Blue)
   Department of Interprofessional Health Studies (Healthcare Management)
TU Student Nursing Association (Blue and White) – Department of Nursing
Sigma Theta Tau International Nursing Honor Society (Lavender and White)
   Department of Nursing
Phi Theta Epsilon (Royal Dark Blue and Gold)
   Department of Occupational Therapy & Occupational Science

Other Organizations

Tau Sigma Transfer Student Honor Society (Maroon and Gold)