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 & Gold)

College of Education
Kappa Delta Pi (Purple & Green)

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

Fisher College of Science & Mathematics
Beta Beta Beta (Red & Green) – Department of Biology
College of Fine Arts & Communication
Pi Kappa Delta (Purple & Green) – Department of Mass Communication & Communication Studies
National Honors Society of Dance Arts (Light Blue & White) – Department of Dance

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

Other Organizations and Groups
Tau Sigma Transfer Student Honor Society (Maroon & Gold)
Military Veterans (Red, White & Blue)