

Information for your commencement web page or student packets:

Academic Honor Cords: All graduating seniors who have earned academic distinction are eligible to receive an academic honor cord to wear with approved academic dress at commencement ceremonies. Students who are graduating with highest distinction will receive a blue and white cord, students who are graduating with high distinction will receive a blue cord, and students who are graduating with distinction will receive a white cord. Students will receive notification on how to receive their honor cords from their college or campus. Questions regarding honor cords should be directed to the Office of Undergraduate Education within your college or campus. Levels are determined by the cumulative GPA at the end of the Fall 2015 semester. If students earn a higher level once final grades are received, then adjustments will be made.

Military Honor Cords: All graduating seniors who are military veterans, currently serving on active duty, in the reserve, or National Guard, or who will be granted a commission obtained through Penn State Reserve Officers Training Corps (ROTC) are eligible to receive a red, white and blue cord to wear with approved academic dress at commencement ceremonies. Those personnel who have already been granted priority registration status are automatically eligible for an honor cord and may visit or contact (814-863-0465) the Office of Veteran's Programs at 325 Boucke Building during normal business hours to receive it. ROTC personnel may pick up their honor cord from their ROTC representative/office. Those personnel who have not been granted priority registration, please visit this website for instructions on required proof of service and where to submit the required documentation: <http://equity.psu.edu/veterans/priorreghonorcord>