

Many students will be wearing, in addition to the traditional academic regalia, cords or sashes to signify their involvement in various organizations or to recognize specific achievements. Cum. GPA stands for cumulative grade point average on a 4.0 scale. Please note: Not all cords or drapes will be represented at both ceremonies, if there is a double ceremony day.

*Bright yellow cords with blue tassels:* Psi Chi, national psychology honorary; achievement of 3.0 cum. GPA and 3.2 GPA in major.

*Gold sash:* Phi Epsilon Kappa, physical education honorary; achievement of 3.0 cum. GPA in major.

*Brown, blue and gold sash:* Gamma Theta Upsilon, geography honorary; achievement of 3.0 cum. GPA in major and 2.75 overall cum. GPA.

*Red and black sash:* Frostburg Student Education Association; graduates entering the teaching field who have been active FSEA members.

*Gold cord with gold and green tassels:* Alpha Epsilon Rho, mass communication honorary; achievement of 3.0 cum. GPA in major.

*Dark green cord:* Alpha Kappa Delta, sociology honorary; achievement of 3.0 cum. GPA in sociology; achievement of 3.0 overall cum. GPA.

*Yellow and red cords:* Sigma Delta Pi, Spanish honorary; achievement of 3.5 cum. GPA in Spanish courses and 3.2 cum. GPA; active in co-curricular activities.

*Red and black cords:* Sigma Tau Delta, English honorary; achievement of 3.0 cum. GPA in major, 3.0 overall cum. GPA.

*Blue and gold cords:* Beta Gamma Sigma, business honor society; student must be enrolled in a program accredited by AACSB International; overall cum. GPA for juniors within top 10% of class; for seniors, top 10%; for students with Masters, top 20%.

*Gold cords:* Honors in General Education; completion of 24 credit hours in honors general education courses with a 3.0 GPA overall

*Gold medallion with blue and gold lavalier-style ribbon:* Phi Alpha, Social Work Honor Society; overall cum. GPA of 3.0; cum. GPA of 3.25 in Social Work courses.

*Woven multi-colored kente cloth stole:* Membership in the Black Student Alliance; symbolizes pride in African cultural heritage.

*Red, black and white cords:* Membership in the Student Government Association.

*Navy blue and silver cords:* Student membership in the American Society of Mechanical Engineers; accomplishment of service to the professional society.

*Cord or sash with insignia of a particular country:* Indication of an international or study abroad student earning his/her degree at FSU.

*Red, black and white cords:* Pi Sigma Alpha, political science honorary; achievement of 3.25 cum. GPA in major and 3.25 overall cum. GPA.

*Blue and white cords:* National Residence Hall Honorary; one year of living in a residence hall, minimum cum. GPA of 3.0, record of service to and leadership in the residence hall system.

*Light blue and white cords:* International Relations Club; active member for two years with achievement of 2.5 GPA.

*Red, white and gold cords:* Pre-Professional Medical Society, shared interest; members of PPMS share a common interest in practicing a branch of medicine and actively participate in community service.

*Green and red cords:* Beta Beta Beta, National Biology Honor Society; full membership requires achievement of 3.0 GPA overall and in biology courses.

*Navy blue, gold and white cords:* Student membership in the Student Affiliates of the American Chemical Society; accomplishment of service to the society.

*Blue, white and red:* Pi Delta Phi, French National Honor Society; achievement of 3.0 GPA.

*Royal purple and old gold twisted cords/sash:* Delta Sigma Pi, an international professional business co-ed fraternity for MBA and accounting, economics, and business administration majors.

*Yellow and white cords:* Order of Omega, Greek National Honor Society; achievement of a 3.0 GPA and leadership in a Greek letter organization.

*Black and gold cords:* Phi Eta Sigma, freshman national honor society; achievement of 3.5 GPA as first year student.

*Gold medallion with red and black ribbon:* Participant in the Sloop Institute for Excellence in Leadership.

*White stole with UPE logo:* Upsilon Pi Epsilon, National Honor Society for the Computing and Information Disciplines; achievement of 3.2 cum. GPA in major at time of induction.

*Teal cords:* Alpha Kappa Delta, Sociology Honor Society; achievement of 3.0 overall

cum. GPA and in sociology courses taken, minimum of 12 credit hours of sociology.

*Navy blue and light gray:* Membership in the FSU student chapter of the Society for Human Resources Management (SHRM).

*Red and blue with red and blue tassels:* Phi Alpha Theta, national history, honorary; achievement of 3.0 cum. GPA and 3.2 GPA in major.

*Red and white cords:* Lambda Pi Eta, Communication Studies honorary; achievement of 3.25 cum. GPA in the major and 3.0 overall cum. GPA.

*Purple and gold cords:* Kappa Pi, International Honorary Art Fraternity; achievement of 3.0 cum. GPA in major.

*Purple, teal and metallic cords:* The BURG Peer Education Network students must be peer educators for four years; must have at least a 2.5 GPA and pass the national peer education certification upon graduation; colors represent passion, leadership and character.

*Navy, red and gold cords:* Gamma Sigma Epsilon, Chemistry Honor Society; achievement of GPA of 3.0 or higher in chemistry and overall; recognition of membership in the society; encouragement of research and scholarship in the chemical sciences.

*Red and white cords with tassels:* Sigma Alpha Iota, International Music Fraternity; encourages, nurtures and supports the art of music.

*Purple and silver cords with tassels:* Membership in the University Programming Council Executive Board; accomplishments in service and leadership; minimum GPA of 2.3 required.

*Red, black and green cords:* Membership in the African Students Association; the colors represent the blood of the ancestors, the African diaspora, and mother-continent Africa; the ankh represents the coming together of African man and woman in the creation of life and family.

*Red, black and gold cords:* Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, men's social fraternity in music founded in 1898 at the New England Conservatory of Music in Boston; membership requires only a love of music and efforts to advance music in America.

*Rose and green cords:* Delta Zeta; national sorority founded in Oxford, OH in 1902; known as the "Mother of Fraternities;" non-profit organization that supports scholarship, leadership, philanthropy and education; minimum GPA of 2.5, 10 philanthropy hours per semester and fulfill one position within the organization for a one-year term.

*Red and black twisted cords:* Bobcat Ambassadors; students actively involved on campus; minimum cumulative GPA of 2.25, strong speaking skills, pride and enthusiasm for Frostburg State University

*Royal blue and gold cords:* Alpha Phi Omega, national co-ed service fraternity; developing leadership, promoting friendship, and providing service to humanity.

*Red, white, and blue cords:* Member of the United States Military, either active duty, National Guard, reserves, selected service, or veteran.

*Red, white, and blue twisted cord:* Member of SALUTE the Veterans National Honor Society; achievement of 3.0 GPA and either active duty or an honorable discharge from service in the United States Military.

*Red, yellow, and royal blue cords:* Frostburg Association for the Education of Young Children, local chapter for NAEYC; a national professional organization dedicated to high-quality learning for all young children.

*Purple and white cords:* Hillel is the largest Jewish student organization in the world. Hillel builds connections with emerging adults at more than 550 colleges and universities, and inspires them to direct their own path. During their formative college years, students are challenged to explore, experience, and create vibrant Jewish lives.

*Gold, silver and burgundy cords:* Geography Club- open to all majors

*Light Pink Cords:* Collegiate National Association for Music Education (NAfME). This organization contains students who majored in music education and attended monthly meetings on campus and yearly meetings around the state to develop professionally and further promote music.