Kutztown University Policy ACA-086

Commencement Ceremony Regalia

A. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to define the specific criteria for wearing cords, stoles, regalia, and/or medallions during the commencement ceremony.

B. Scope

This policy applies to all students participating in the commencement ceremony.

C. Key words and phrases:

CGPA – Cumulative grade point average

D. Policy & Procedure(s)

Kutztown University recognizes the importance of wearing cords, stoles, regalia, and/or medallions during the commencement ceremony. In particular, students wear honors medallions; discipline-specific national honor society cords, stoles, and/or medallions; and cords and stoles associated with other University-recognized organizations.

Honors Medallions:
All honors designations for the purposes of the commencement ceremony are determined according to the academic record exclusive of the last semester of attendance. Undergraduate students who have achieved the required CGPA of 3.40 or higher at the time they obtain their cap and gown will be provided an honors medallion as part of the commencement regalia to be worn at the commencement ceremony.

Undergraduate students who achieve the required CGPA of 3.40 or higher after the commencement ceremony may request an honors medallion from commencement@kutztown.edu.

Discipline-specific National Honor Societies:
Kutztown University also recognizes the academic achievement, service, and/or leadership of students who participate in a variety of honor societies, through the presentations and display of cords, stoles, and/or medallions that may be worn during the commencement ceremony.
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Discipline- or category-specific national honor societies are listed in the commencement program. Each honor society has established criteria for membership and recognition at the commencement ceremony.

*Other University-recognized Organizations:*
Other university-recognized organizations must establish minimum criteria, publish the criteria, and certify that students have met the criteria.

**E. Effective Date**

Fall 2016

**F. Approved By**

Endorsed by University Senate – March 3, 2016
Approved by University President – March 23, 2016

**G. Last Reviewed**

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