

Commencement Regalia Policy

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UW-Platteville Students who have qualified for membership in registered student organizations, honor organizations, or campus programs (i.e. International Programs, Office of Multi-Cultural Student Affairs) during their studies may wear approved regalia representing these organizations or programs during the Commencement ceremonies. The types of regalia items that may be approved are honor cords, stoles, sashes, or pins.

Honors awarded by UW-Platteville based on GPA are not subject to this policy. These honors are: Summa Cum Laude and Magna Cum Laude. Candidates for university honors are listed in the Commencement program and will receive the applicable honor cords from the Registrar's Office. Gold cords are reserved for university honors and may not be used by another organization.

Student organizations or campus programs wishing to have their student members wear any regalia items (stoles, cords, or pins) must complete the following steps at least thirty days prior to the Commencement Ceremony:

1. Check to see if your organization has registered the regalia item on PioneerLink (<https://uwplatt.collegiatelink.net/organization/uwplatteville/DocumentLibrary>). An organization will not be required to complete the application once there is an approved regalia item on file. A list of approved regalia items will be maintained on PioneerLink. (uwplatt.edu/go/pioneerlink)
2. File an Honor/Student Organization Regalia Application Form to request permission to wear the regalia item. This form must be filed on PioneerLink (<https://uwplatt.collegiatelink.net/form/start/19654>), if the regalia item has not been previously approved. The Honor/Student Organization Regalia Application Form must be filed no later than thirty days prior to Commencement.
3. A regalia review committee will meet within thirty days of graduation to review the Regalia Application Forms that have been submitted. The committee will consist of the Assistant Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs (or a designee), a member of the Commencement Committee, a member of the Pioneer Involvement Center staff, and a member of Student Senate. The results of the committee's review will be e-mailed to the contact person and posted on PioneerLink (<https://uwplatt.collegiatelink.net/organization/uwplatteville>) under documents Approved Commencement Regalia.

Guidelines

1. The student organization must be currently registered, and in good standing, with the Pioneer Involvement Center at the University of Wisconsin-Platteville. If the organization is no longer in good standing with the Pioneer Involvement Center, the regalia item will be removed from the approved list, and re-application must be made once the organization is in good standing. Exceptions to this policy may be granted by the Assistant Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs.
2. Graduates may wear one stole/sash. The number of cords is not limited at this time. Pins that have been approved may be attached to a stole or to the commencement gown.
3. The Honor/Student Organization Regalia Application Form must be completed and electronically submitted on PioneerLink (<https://uwplatt.collegiatelink.net/form/start/19654>) no later than thirty days prior to graduation.
4. **Individuals** who wish to wear a regalia item that is not representative of a registered organization or student program may request permission by completing the Honor/Student Organization Regalia Application Form and electronically submitting it on PioneerLink (uwplatt.collegiatelink.net/form/start/19654). This request must be filed thirty days prior to the Commencement ceremony.

If there are any questions related to these guidelines, please contact the Office of Student Affairs at 608-342-1854. This policy was adopted by the Commencement Committee, February 13, 2013. Effective for the May 2013 ceremonies.