

# HONORS

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1. To graduate with honors, a student must have completed a minimum of 60 semester hours at the University of Dayton and have an academic degree program grade-point average at the University of Dayton of 3.50 or higher, based on a 4.00 scale. The academic degree program grade-point average includes all courses taken at the University of Dayton under grading Option 1 and accepted as graduation credits by the student's academic unit, i.e. school or college. Determination of a student's initial honors category recognized in the graduation program is made on the basis of the student's academic record at the conclusion of the term preceding the student's last term at the University or on the basis of the student's academic record at the conclusion of his or her last term.

2. If a student qualifies for honors or moves into a different category of honors on the basis of his or her academic degree program grade-point average, the diploma issued will note the appropriate honor category and notation will be made on the transcript and permanent record. Due to time constraints no adjustments/corrections can be made to the actual printed graduation program.

3. Honors status will be determined by the academic degree program grade-point average and will include only those courses completed at the University of Dayton. Students who transfer to the University of Dayton under the terms of an articulation agreement with a community college may be eligible for honors at graduation even if they have not completed the minimum of 60 semester hours at the University provided that they have met all terms of the articulation agreement.

4. The notation of honors is made in the commencement program, on the student's diploma, on the student's permanent record and on the student's transcript, as follows:

- **Cum Laude** - if the academic degree program grade point average is greater than or equal to 3.50 but less than 3.70.
- **Magna cum Laude** - if the academic degree program grade point average is greater than or equal to 3.70 but less than 3.90.
- **Summa cum Laude** - if the academic degree program grade point average is greater than or equal to 3.90.

5. Any exceptions to this procedure are the decision of the dean of the student's academic unit.