Academic Honors Policy

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Purpose:
This policy is to describe the process and procedure for academic honors for undergraduate students.

Policy:
Academic honors are recognized with the traditional honors designations of cum laude, magna cum laude, and summa cum laude at graduation.

In order to earn graduation honors, students must have earned at least 30 credits at Clarion. Students who graduate with the following cumulative GPAs will be recognized as honors graduates:

- Cum laude 3.40 - 3.59
- Magna cum laude 3.60 - 3.79
- Summa cum laude 3.80 - 4.00

For the purposes of the commencement ceremony, graduation honors are based on the last graded term prior to commencement. Designation of graduation honors on the academic transcript is determined after the submission of final grades and degrees are posted.

For information concerning honorary kinds of recognition that may be accorded by various colleges and departments, students should inquire at the office of their major department and/or the office of the dean of the college in which they are enrolled.