Graduation Requirements Policy

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Purpose:
This policy is to describe the requirements for graduation.

Policy:
Graduation from Clarion University with a baccalaureate or associate degree requires successful completion of all specified major, degree, and university requirements outlined for your program of study. All students are responsible for knowing the major, degree, and university requirements of their respective programs. Students are advised to meet with their academic advisor on a regular basis throughout their undergraduate career.

Undergraduate students seeking to complete a bachelor’s degree must successfully complete a minimum of 120 credits with both a major and cumulative GPA of at least 2.00 except where the requirements of a particular program or college are higher. Associate degree students must successfully complete a minimum of 60 credits with a cumulative GPA of at least 2.00 except where the requirements of a particular program are higher.

Developmental courses do not count towards graduation, though the credits earned in them are used to determine class standing and grade point average. Bachelor’s degree students must complete a minimum of 30 credits of the last 60 credits through Clarion University. Associate degree students must complete a minimum of 15 of their last 30 credits through Clarion University.

Candidates for baccalaureate and associate degrees must successfully complete ENG 111 with a passing grade or the minimum grade required by the program, unless exempt.

Students in baccalaureate degree programs at Clarion University must complete a minimum of 50% of their major credits through Clarion University.

A candidate for Teacher Education must possess a grade point average of 3.0 in his/her major and overall and must successfully complete student teaching before graduation. An overall grade point
average of 2.0 is required in most programs of study. Certain programs may require minimum grades in courses within the major.

All financial obligations to the university must be paid in full before graduation can be approved.

Students must apply for graduation by the deadline. All credentials for graduation (ie. graduation application, transfer credits etc.) must be submitted on time.

Procedures:
Students should become acquainted with the graduation requirements for their program of study. Students are responsible for meeting all graduation requirements and for submitting the required forms on time. The deadlines for filing graduation applications are available at: http://www.clarion.edu/academics/registrars-office/graduation.html and are sent to students via email. Graduation may be delayed if a student’s record is incomplete.

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