

Graduation - Health Science Professional

Health Science Professional Graduation Policy

Students are required to graduate at the end of the term in which all degree requirements are completed. Degree requirements are those university and program-specific requirements needed to earn the degree as outlined in the university bulletin. Substitutions or waivers for specific courses required for degree completion may occur, as determined by the program and with college approval. It is to be expected that these course exceptions can occur in the case of students whose enrollment period extends beyond the number of semesters/years typically required to complete a given program. Students whose enrollment is interrupted for two or more consecutive terms normally must meet the requirements in the bulletin issued for the year in which they return to the university. The college may determine that readmitted students fall under a different set of degree requirements than the academic year in which they are readmitted. Students are responsible for keeping themselves informed of the requirements which apply in their particular cases. Students have available faculty advisers who assist in planning and implementing the students' plans of studies; however, it is ultimately the responsibility of students to know and fulfill the requirements for graduation specified for the selected plan. Candidates for one of the Health Sciences Professional degree programs must meet the following graduation requirements:

1. Health Sciences Professional Quality of Work Requirement:

- Master in Athletic Training: degree candidates must earn a minimum of 82 credits with a minimum GPA of 2.750.
- Master in Physician Assistant Studies: degree candidates must earn a minimum of 108 credits with a minimum GPA of 2.800.
- Doctor in Occupational Therapy: degree candidates must earn a minimum of 117 credits with a minimum GPA of 3.000.
- Doctor in Physical Therapy: degree candidates must earn a minimum of 124 credits with a minimum GPA of 2.200.

2. Student must attend any course of lectures, or any other exercises which have been or may be required, even though such courses receive no recognition in terms of credit hours.

3. Students' records must be cleared of all grades that are not permanent, i.e., grades of I, IC, IE and NG.

4. Students must file a formal application for a degree by the deadline published in the Academic Calendar; however, because students are required to graduate at the end of the term in which all degree requirements are complete, the university reserves the right to graduate students without a graduation application on file.

5. Commencement is held in May, after the spring term. Participation in commencement does not mean students have graduated. See the Commencement Policy (<https://bulletin.marquette.edu/policies/commencement/>) in this bulletin for further details.

6. All exceptions to this Graduation Requirements policy must be approved by the Office of the Provost, except:

- the course and bulletin year exceptions listed in paragraph 1 (as approved by the college)
- number 2 (as approved by the college)

GRADUATION LATIN HONORS

The grade point system is used to compute Graduation Latin Honors. The computation is made by dividing the total number of grade points earned at Marquette University by the total number of grade point hours earned. A candidate whose average is 3.500 graduates cum laude; one whose average is 3.700 magna cum laude; and one whose average is 3.900 summa cum laude. Graduation Latin Honors are recorded on diplomas, noted in the published lists of graduates at Commencement and recorded on the transcript.

GRADUATION RECORD

The academic record of students are frozen once the degree is posted and may not be altered thereafter, unless required to do so by law and/or an egregious error is discovered after the posting. This includes but is not limited to all relevant grade point averages, grades, additional information relating to the degree(s), major(s), minor(s) and specialization(s), graduation Latin Honors and academic censure.