

Policy Manual



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GENERAL STATEMENT

Broward College (“College”) establishes minimum standards for participation in graduation ceremonies.

THE POLICY AND THE STUDENT

Students successfully completing their declared program requirements in accordance with College Policy 6Hx2-4.22 – Awards and Graduation Requirements, will be eligible to participate in a graduation ceremony at the conclusion of the semester in which the requirements are completed. The student’s graduation credential and date will be reflected on the student’s transcript. Students wishing to receive a transcript or diploma must be free of all outstanding financial obligations.

Students may only wear regalia approved by the College during the graduation ceremony.

Students who are within six (6) elective credits (must not include general education or core major requirements) of fulfilling their degree requirements which can be completed in the immediate term following the graduation ceremony, may participate in one of the College’s Term I or II graduation ceremonies, provided that all requirements for graduation are met including, but not limited to a 2.0 minimum term and cumulative GPA. Only students who are expected to complete all degree requirements during the term in which they attend a graduation ceremony will have their names printed in the Commencement Book. Other students who are participating in a graduation ceremony (those within the six (6) elective credits) will not have their name published in the Commencement Book.

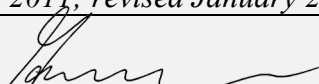
The campus academic advisors and counselors, under the direction of the campus dean of students, shall assist students who meet the guidelines for participating in a graduation ceremony.

IMPLEMENTATION AND OVERSIGHT

The President has the authority to establish procedures to implement this policy. The Associate Vice Provost for Student Life & Ombudsperson, under the direction of the Vice Provost for Student Services is responsible for implementation and oversight of policy compliance related to participation in the graduation ceremony. The Vice Provost for Academic Services is responsible for determining graduation requirements in accordance with College Policy 6Hx2-4.22 – Awards and Graduation Requirements.

VIOLATION OF POLICY

Students who violate this policy may be subject to disciplinary action in accordance with the College Student Code of Conduct.

History: <i>Revised as Policy Issued as Policy 4.09 (Time of Official Graduation for Certain Specialized Areas) on December 16, 1986; re-focused, re-titled, and re-numbered on April 17, 1997; revised, re-numbered, and re-titled on August 17, 2010; revised May 24, 2011; revised January 23, 2018</i>			
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DEFINITIONS

Term - one of three academic semesters (Term I, Fall; Term II, Spring; Term III, Summer).

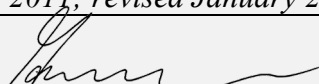
Graduation - earning a degree, certificate or diploma by meeting all requirements for a prescribed program of study.

Graduation ceremony - official College event conducted at the end of the Term I and Term II during which eligible students are recognized.

GPA – Grade point average.

Diploma - a document provided by the College indicating that a student has completed a course of education or training and has reached the required level of competence.

Transcript - an official record showing the educational work taken at the College and other secondary and postsecondary (college or university) institutions.

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