

Academic Honors for Full and Part-Time Students by Term

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I. REASON FOR THIS POLICY

This policy and its procedures implement SD BOR Policy 2:10 Sections 8 and 9. At the end of each academic term (fall, spring and summer), Dakota State University recognizes both full-time and part-time degree or credentialing undergraduate students. These students must have earned at least a 3.50 system GPA in their coursework during that academic term. These students qualify for inclusion on the President's Academic Honors List.

II. STATEMENT OF POLICY

Academic Honors designation is determined by the home university and is based on a student's total course registrations for academic credit for the term from any Regental university. The Academic Honors designation does not appear on the transcript.

Full-time: To be awarded Academic Honors designation, undergraduate students must meet the following guidelines.

- Students must have earned a minimum of twelve (12) credit hours in courses numbered 100-699 during the term.
- Students must achieve a System Term GPA of at least 3.50.
- Students with F, I, U, RI, RU, or WFL grades are not eligible regardless of System Term GPA attained.

Part-time: To be awarded the Academic Recognition designation, undergraduate students must meet the following guidelines:

- Students must have completed at least twelve (12) credit hours prior to the current semester at one or more Regental institutions. The student must have earned at least three (3) and up to eleven (11) credit hours of 100-699 level courses during the term.
- Students must achieve a System Term GPA of at least 3.50.

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- Students with F, I, U, RI, RU, or WFL grades are not eligible regardless of System Term GPA attained.

Exceptions

Any exceptions to this policy and procedures are approved by the Provost/Vice President for Academic Affairs or their designee.

III. DEFINITIONS

Full-time student = 12 credits or above in the designated semester

Part-time student = less than 12 credits in the designated semester

Definition of undergraduate grades – BOR Policy 2:10 Section C

<https://www.sdbor.edu/policy/documents/2-10.pdf>

IV. PROCEDURES

The Registrar's Office will generate a list of students meeting the qualifications for inclusion on the President's Academic Honors Lists at the end of the fall, spring and summer semesters. These lists will be furnished to the Provost/Vice President for Academic Affairs office. This office will notify the student of this recognition.

The Marketing and Communications Office will notify local and hometown newspapers for students who are being recognized for this achievement. This office will follow FERPA regulations in all public communications with students' names and GPA.

V. RELATED DOCUMENTS, FORMS AND TOOLS

Source: SDBOR Policy 2:10 Section 8 and 9.

Link: <https://www.sdbor.edu/policy/documents/2-10.pdf>