

Graduation Requirements

Graduation Requirements

Lake Land College is authorized to grant the following degrees to students who successfully complete the requirements of certain prescribed curricula:

- Associate in Arts
- Associate in Science
- Associate in Engineering Science
- Associate in Applied Science
- Associate in Liberal Studies (ALS)

Certificates are granted in technological fields to students who completed the required courses in accordance with prescribed standards developed by the College.

The requirements for each degree and certificate will be recommended by the faculty and approved by the President. The requirements shall be based upon the needs and interests of the students and of the community and shall reflect requirements of the Illinois Community College Board, transfer institutions, and/or accrediting associations.

1. Required of All Students in Degree Programs

Students will be eligible for graduation when they have met all of the following requirements:

- A. Met all College admissions requirements.
- B. Fulfilled all general and specific requirements in one of the associate degree curriculums listed in the catalog. Associate in Science or Associate in Arts degree major requirements may vary from sample college transfer curriculum depending upon the students' selection of courses to meet four-year college requirements.

- C. Accumulated the minimum semester hours required for the specific degree.
- D. Accumulated a grade point average of 2.00 (C) in the general and specific requirements for the degree. Only courses at the 040 course level or above will count toward graduation.
 - (1) The final grade point average for graduation of students who have made a major career program change only includes those credit hours and grades of courses applicable to meet the requirements of the major.
 - (2) The final grade point average for graduation of transfer students does not include grades earned at other institutions for courses accepted toward graduation at Lake Land College. Advanced standing and transfer credit are granted for courses passed in accredited colleges and universities. Accredited is defined to include only the Higher Learning Commission or other regional accrediting agencies.
 - (3) Students enrolled in the Associate Degree in Nursing, Dental Hygiene, and Physical Therapist Assistant programs must earn a grade of “C” or higher in all required courses to remain in, and graduate from, the program.
 - (4) Students enrolled in the Medical Assistant program must earn a grade of “C” or higher in all MAP courses and MCS-095 to remain in, and graduate from, the program.
 - (5) Students enrolled in the John Deere Tech program must earn a grade of “C” or higher in all JDA classes and TEC-048 to remain in, and graduate from, the program. Any student receiving less than a “C” in these classes will be required to withdraw from the program and repeat the class during the next scheduled offering prior to continuing in or graduating from the program.

(6) A grade of “C” or better is required in Composition I and II (ENG 120 and ENG 121) to graduate with an Associate in Arts, Associate in Science, or Associate in Engineering Science Degree.

E. Completed at Lake Land College at least one-half of the total number of semester hours required for the degree. Hours earned through Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate and CLEP do not count toward this one-half. Credits transferred from other colleges are evaluated on a course-by-course basis.

F. Filed a Notice of Intent to Graduate with the Admissions and Records Office by the posted date of the semester in which the student will meet academic graduation requirements.

2. Requirements for More than One Associate Degree

Students may earn one Associate in Arts and one Associate in Science degree. Students may earn multiple Associate in Applied Science degrees. To earn more than one degree, students must meet all general and specific curriculum requirements for each degree. Students completing more than one degree according to catalog requirements in effect prior to Fall 2016 may not earn both an Associate in Science (A.S.) and an Associate in Arts (A.A.) degree.

It is important that students meet with their advisor or counselor to ensure appropriate course selection because not all courses are applicable to a degree, or intended for, or accepted as transfer credit to senior institutions.

Students who seek more than one degree from Lake Land College are subject to published deadlines to file an Intent to Graduate form with the Admissions and Records Office for each degree.

3. Required of All Students in Certificate Programs

Students will be eligible for graduation when they have met all of the following requirements:

- A. Met all College admissions requirements.
- B. Fulfilled all general and specific requirements in one of the certificate programs listed in the Catalog.
- C. Achieved a “C” (2.00) average or received a grade of P (Pass) in those courses applicable to meet the requirements of the certificates.
 - (1) Students enrolled in the Massage Therapy and Practical Nursing programs must earn a grade of “C” or higher in all required courses to remain in, and graduate from, the program.
 - (2) Students enrolled in the Medical Assistant program must earn a grade of “C” or higher in all MAP courses and MCS-095 to remain in, and graduate from, the program.
- D. Completed at Lake Land College at least one-half of the total number of semester hours required for the certificate. Hours earned through Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate and CLEP do not count toward this one-half. Credits transferred from other colleges are evaluated on a course-by-course basis.
- E. Filed a Notice of Intent to Graduate with the Admissions and Records Office by the posted date of the semester in which the student will meet academic graduation requirements.

A student who discontinues attendance for a full year or more will be subject to requirements in the current catalog at the time of registration. The student is responsible for proper registration each semester and satisfying all graduation requirements.

Adopted November 9, 1998
Revised May 10, 1999
Revised November 8, 1999
Revised May 12, 2003
Revised July 11, 2005
Revised December 8, 2008
Revised April 11, 2011
Revised November 11, 2013
Revised February 17, 2014
Revised June 8, 2015
Revised February 8, 2016
Revised June 12, 2017