



GRADUATION INFORMATION

When should I apply?

Goodwin College students are encouraged to apply for the award of any credential they may earn as they work their way toward their ultimate educational goal. All students may apply for the award of collegiate certificates and associate degrees at the point in time where they believe they have satisfactorily completed the requirements for that credential. Most students apply just before they begin their last semester of requirements. The names of students who apply for the award of a credential are automatically forwarded to the Graduation Committee. If you have questions about your eligibility for the award of a credential, please visit the Academic Advising Office, your program director, and consult the catalog that was in effect at the time of your enrollment.

What requirements do I have to meet?

Any student who has satisfactorily met the academic standards and financial obligations of his/her program may apply for the award of a credential (diploma) and participate in the spring commencement if he/she wishes. Students who are short nine or fewer credits may participate in the commencement ceremony as long as those credits are in progress and the student has applied for the award of a credential. Students whose coursework is still in progress or in incomplete status at the time of graduation will not be eligible to receive any academic honors, distinctions, or awards that are based (in part or entirely) on academic performance. These students may elect to wait until the next commencement ceremony if they wish to fully participate in graduation.

Students must meet the following requirements in order to receive a credential (diploma):

1. completion of all specific program requirements including coursework, competencies, exit exams, internships, service hours, etc
2. fulfillment of all financial obligations to the College
3. completion of the programmatic requirements for the credential being requested with at least a 2.0 cumulative grade point average earned within the maximum time frame
4. at least 25% of the graduation requirements must be earned at Goodwin College
5. the last 12 credits posted to the transcript must have been granted by Goodwin College
6. electronic submission of an Application for Award of Credential ([link here to document](#))

Additional requirements for the Bachelor of Science degrees include:

1. a minimum of 15 credits in the major core must be completed at Goodwin College
2. completion of a minimum of 45 credits at the 200 level or above
3. completion of a minimum of 30 credits at the 300 level or above
4. completion of 30 hours of documented community service and required submissions.

What happens if I don't have the required 2.0 GPA?

Students who complete all requirements but fall short of the 2.0 CGPA or who do not finish within the maximum time frame will not be considered graduates, but will be awarded a certificate of completion. Some students may elect to repeat coursework for a higher grade.

How do I apply?

Students who want to apply for the award of a credential can access the application by clicking on the link provided above. That's all you have to do!