

Commencement Participation

Previous Policy

1. A Student who is deficient in meeting degree requirements may still be allowed to participate in the graduation ceremony by taking advantage of a grace period. A student with unmet requirements must submit a written plan to the Registrar demonstrating how the requirements will be met during the summer immediately following the graduation ceremony. If a student is not more than 4 units deficient the work may be completed away from Westmont. A student who is deficient 5 to 8 units is required to complete these units in Mayterm at Westmont and must be registered in the appropriate Mayterm classes by April 15.
2. If fall is your final term of attendance at Westmont, you must complete at least 4 of these 8 units at another college during the following spring term of the other college.
3. Degrees for summer session candidates are conferred as of August; graduation data will not be entered until work is completed and grades are recorded and computed.

Revised Policy (Passed by Academic Senate Fe. 12, 2008)

1. Participation in graduation ceremonies is a celebration of work accomplished and is reserved for those whose spring/Mayterm course enrollments indicate that they will complete all of their degree requirements by the end of the term. A student completing degree requirements in Mayterm must be registered in the appropriate Mayterm classes by April 15.
2. In extenuating circumstances, a Student may petition the Academic Senate for an exception. The petition will be reviewed according to the following guidelines:
 - a. The petition must include a written plan demonstrating how the requirements will be met during the summer immediately following the graduation ceremony.
 - b. The plan may include a maximum of 8 units to be completed after commencement.
 - c. At most 4 units of the deficient work may be completed away from Westmont.
3. Degrees for summer session candidates are conferred as of August; graduation data will not be entered until work is completed and grades are recorded and computed.