

UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT LITTLE ROCK

TRANSMITTAL OF FACULTY SENATE LEGISLATION

Faculty Senate legislation is to be submitted to the Chancellor to approve or disapprove within ten calendar days after the Assembly review period. The Chancellor may approve or disapprove any Faculty Senate legislation within a period from the eleventh through the twenty-fifth calendar day after the Faculty Senate action has been presented to the Assembly unless the Assembly has been petitioned to amend or rescind the Faculty Senate legislation. In the latter case, the Chancellor's approval or disapproval shall be made no later than fifteen calendar days after the Assembly has voted on and failed to approve a motion to amend or rescind a legislative action of the Faculty Senate. The chancellor shall provide written reasons for disapproval to the Faculty Senate.

To the Chancellor of the University of Arkansas at Little Rock:

The following legislation passed the UALR Faculty Senate on September 30, 2022:

FS_2022_23 from the Undergraduate Council: Legislation to revise the Honors policy (501.7) to modify graduation honors eligibility requirements and the manner in which the grade point average used for determining graduation honors eligibility is calculated.

Be it resolved to revise the "Graduation Honors" section of the Honors policy (501.7; rev 5/2003) as shown in the Attachment (underline indicates addition; strikethrough indicates deletion; {...} indicates other sections of the policy that remain unchanged)

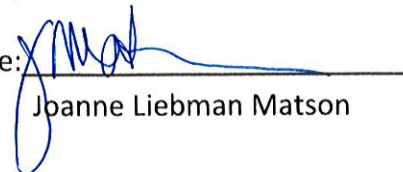
And be it resolved that if approved, the revised policy would be implemented beginning with Spring 2023 graduates.

See attachment for redlined version of Honors Policy.

Disseminated to University Assembly:

Date: 4 October 2022

Faculty Senate President's Signature:


Joanne Liebman Matson

Date:

4 October 2022

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Received in Chancellor's Office:

Date: _____

Chancellor's Action:

APPROVED

Chancellor's Signature  Date: 10/21/2022
Christina Drale

DISAPPROVED

(reasons to be attached)

Chancellor's Signature _____ Date: _____
Christina Drale



Attachment- Honors (501.7)

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Graduation Honors

To qualify for graduation honors, a student must have completed a minimum of 60 hours in residence at UA Little Rock. Graduation honors are calculated on all academic work ~~including all~~ completed in UA Little Rock credit-bearing courses, ~~all repeated courses and all work completed at all other institutions, whether accepted as transfer credit at UA Little Rock or not.~~ For repeated courses, only the grade from the final iteration of the course will be included in the calculation of the cumulative grade point average for determining graduation honors. All work completed at all other institutions, whether accepted as transfer credit at UA Little Rock or not, will not be included in the final calculation of graduation honors (except as noted below).

The bachelor's degree with honors will be conferred upon candidates who graduate and earn a minimum cumulative grade point on all credit courses taken ~~(both transfer courses and credit courses at UA Little Rock)~~ as follows:

- Summa cum laude: minimum grade point average of 3.90
- Magna cum laude: minimum grade point average of 3.70
- Cum laude: minimum grade point average of 3.50

Students who do not complete the minimum of 60 hours in residence at UA Little Rock may request, in writing, that all work completed at all other institutions, whether accepted as transfer credit at UA Little Rock or not, be used in the final calculation of graduation honors. For repeated courses at other institutions, only the grade from the final iteration of the course will be included in the calculation of the cumulative grade point average for determining graduation honors. ~~A minimum of 30 hours in residence at UA Little Rock is required to qualify for a degree with honors. A student qualifies for honors based on the grade point average on all hours, including repeated courses at UA Little Rock and including transfer hours whether or not accepted for credit. All academic~~

~~work, including transfer courses and repeated courses, is included in the final calculation for honors.~~ Some courses from institutions outside of the U.S. are calculated in the admissions process on a pass/not pass basis. In order for a student to be considered for graduation honors, all credentials from institutions outside of the U.S. must be evaluated to determine an A, B, or C equivalency.

Students who are granted academic clemency are still eligible to qualify for graduation honors, but they must complete a minimum of 60 hours in residence at UA Little Rock not including the hours for which clemency was granted.

The associate degree with honors will be conferred upon candidates who have completed a minimum of 30 hours in residence at UA Little Rock and at graduation have earned a minimum cumulative grade point of 3.7 on all academic work completed in UA Little Rock credit-bearing courses. The recipient must have met all requirements for graduation with an associate degree and must not have completed more than 83 credit hours. Students who are granted academic clemency are still eligible to receive an associate degree with honors, but they must complete a minimum of 30 hours in residence at UA Little Rock not including the hours for which clemency was granted.

~~A UA Little Rock student can be awarded graduation honors only once. A student who has earned a baccalaureate degree from UA Little Rock and is pursuing a second baccalaureate degree at UA Little Rock is granted graduation honors based on the credit hours earned subsequent to the posting of the first degree. If fewer than 30 credit hours are completed at UA Little Rock subsequent to completion of the first UA Little Rock degree, the level of graduation honors can be no higher than that obtained on the first degree. If 30 or more credit hours are completed at UA Little Rock after completion of the first UA Little Rock degree, the level of graduation honors on the second degree is based on the cumulative grade point average on coursework subsequent to the first degree.~~

Students who graduate from another college or university and pursue a second undergraduate degree at UA Little Rock must complete a minimum of 30 hours in residence at UA Little Rock to be ~~are not~~ eligible for graduation honors. Graduation

honors on the second degree is based on the cumulative grade point average on all UA Little Rock coursework subsequent to the first degree.

University and departmental honors (but not awards) may be posted on the academic transcript.

