

GRADUATION

Graduation ceremonies are held annually at the end of the winter semester. Official diplomas are mailed to students who have satisfied all degree requirements. Students who are within nine credits of completion are eligible to participate in graduation ceremonies.

Application for Graduation Ceremonies

Information about graduation ceremonies and the application to participate in these ceremonies is available through MyGOCC.

Catalog Affecting Credits and Graduation (Policy 332)

Each student's academic requirements are based on the catalog which is in force during the student's first semester at Glen Oaks Community College. Exceptions may be necessary when changes in certification or licensure standards mandate changes in academic requirements or in the college programs. The date of the catalog by which credits are checked for graduation may not be more than four years earlier than the date of the issuance of the degree. A student may not be checked by a catalog dated earlier than the time of entrance. Students may not use a combination of catalogs to graduate but must follow the degree requirements in one catalog. Students who do not enroll in courses for two consecutive years must fulfill the requirements of the catalog in force at the time of readmission or may elect a subsequent catalog. If a student's work is interrupted by military service, an extension of time of not more than six years will be allowed equal to the period of interruption.

Second Degrees

Second degrees will be awarded based on the catalog in effect at the time of enrollment in the new program and cannot be extended beyond four years. For a second associate's degree, a student must complete a minimum of 15 additional credit hours beyond the first degree at Glen Oaks and achieve a 2.0 grade point average for the additional credits.

It is required that these additional credits be planned and approved in writing through an advisor. The written approval of the additional 15 credits must be forwarded to the Registration Office in order to be considered for the awarding of the degree.

Second Certificates

Second or additional certificates will be evaluated based on the catalog in effect at the completion of the second certificate.

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Certificate/Degree Requirements (Policy 331)

Degree Requirements

Graduation requirements for an associate's degree:

1. A cumulative grade point average of at least 2.0. Specific programs may require a higher GPA.
2. A minimum of 60 credits.
3. A minimum of 15 credits must be earned at Glen Oaks Community College.

NOTE: Courses below 100-level do NOT meet general education, degree specific, or program requirements and may not be used towards the minimum requirement of 60 credit hours.

Certificate Requirements

Graduation requirements for a certificate:

1. A cumulative grade point average of at least a 2.0.
2. Satisfy the credit requirements of the certificate.
3. A minimum of 25% of the certificate must be earned at Glen Oaks Community College.

Any substitution of certificate/degree requirements must be approved by the Vice-President of Academics.

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