

College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Students are responsible for knowing and meeting all the degree requirements. To assist you in keeping informed about the progress made toward your degree, we strongly recommend that you generate a degree progress report in MaineStreet at the end of each semester and prior to registering for classes. Check with the CLAS Advising and Academic Services Center (AASC) if you do not understand the report or have questions about its limitations.

These requirements apply to all University of Maine undergraduate students:

1. Students must have a **minimum total of 120 degree hours** with a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or better overall and in the courses in the major field that are required for completion of the major. Students must also meet all UMaine general education requirements. *Note: some majors require more than 120 degree hours.*
2. A **minimum of 30 credit hours** originating from the University of Maine campus, with **at least 15 of those credits at the 300-level or above**, is required for the attainment of any bachelor's degree. For more information, please refer to the undergraduate catalog: <http://catalog.umaine.edu/>

In addition to meeting University of Maine degree requirements, all majors in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences require a minimum of 15 institutional credits in the major, and all minors require a minimum of 9. For purposes of this requirement, institutional credit is defined as all University of Maine (Orono) courses regardless of modality (face-to-face, online, etc.).

The following requirements apply to all Liberal Arts and Science students except Music Education, Music Performance, Mathematics (B.S), Physics (B.S.), Chemistry (B.S.), Computer Science (B.S.), or B.F.A. degree students:

3. To complete their degree, students must earn a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or better in the courses in the major field that are credited toward completion of the major in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. Students graduating with a minor in a CLAS field must likewise earn a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or better in the courses in the minor field that are credited toward completion of the minor.
4. All students pursuing the Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) degree in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences must **complete a second major or a minor outside the major**. Art Education (AED) majors will automatically complete minors in studio art and art history as part of their degree requirements.
5. Students must have a **minimum of 60 credits outside of the academic major**. For example, anthropology majors must complete 60 credits of course work outside of anthropology. Stated in the reverse, an anthropology major is allowed a maximum of 60 anthropology credits toward the required 120.
6. Students may count a **maximum of 15 credits in military science (MSL) or naval science (NAV)** toward the required 120. To count, credits must be at the upper (300-400) level, or if lower (100-200) level must be on the University's official list of approved general education courses. In no case may the combination of lower and upper level credits used toward the required 120 exceed the maximum allowance of 15.

The undergraduate catalog is the final authority on graduation requirements. This summary does not supersede the catalog.

Questions? Contact the AASC at 207-581-1952 or 207-581-1961.