

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

BACHELORS DEGREE:

A minimum of 120-semester hours of credit (**except where specified higher**). At least 36 semester hours must be **junior-senior level courses (numbered 300-400)**. At least one-half of the minimum hour requirements for the major must be in junior-senior level courses (numbered 300-400). At least 50% of the credit hours must be earned from UNA or other senior institutions, 25% of which must be earned from UNA. *Exceptions apply to RN to BSN or RN to MSN students.* Exceptions to these policies must be compliant with accreditation standards and be approved by the department chair for the major and the dean of the college awarding the degree.

Program: Completion of the course of study, including the general studies component, major and minor fields (where required), and individual courses, as prescribed by the college for the degree program elected. **Students may elect to pursue and to receive two degrees simultaneously if college and departmental requirements can be met simultaneously.**

Quality: A minimum grade point average of **2.0 (C) is required at this University** in each **major and each minor and on all work attempted.** *For graduation in programs in educator preparation, the student must have a minimum grade point average of 2.75 on UNA work attempted, overall work attempted and on all coursework in the specific teaching field as well as a GPA of 3.0 in the professional studies coursework.* For information on those specific requirements review the online catalog under [“Colleges and Programs.”](#) (*College of Education and Human Sciences.*)

Nursing program: See [Anderson College of Nursing](#) admission and progression/retention requirements in the online catalog. *Grades earned at other institutions will not affect the student’s grade point average at UNA.* Students who plan to earn credit through transient, correspondence, or extension courses **are required to secure prior approval.** *Credits to be transferred from other institutions cannot be applied toward meeting requirements for graduation unless filed with the Office of the Registrar at least four weeks prior to the date of graduation.*

Catalog Requirements and Time Limits: Degree requirements and other university regulations are established by the catalog current at the **time a student enrolls at the University of North Alabama as a degree seeking student** and are typically in effect for **seven years**. For education preparation students, degree requirements are established by the catalog current at time of acceptance into the Educator Preparation Program (EPP).

A student who leaves UNA and re-enrolls and/or changes or adds a major during the seven years the original catalog is in effect will be required to change to the catalog current at the time of re-enrollment unless the chair of the student’s major department issues a waiver to permit continuation under the original catalog. In consultation with the academic advisor and permission of the major department chair, a student who wishes to change to a more recent catalog may do so up to the beginning of the student’s final academic year. Students enrolled in any program accredited by a recognized accrediting organization or designed to assure eligibility

for official certification or licensure, such as teaching or nursing, will be required to adhere to all governmental and/or accreditation modifications made during their period of enrollment.

Official Degree Evaluation: Students may obtain an official degree evaluation by logging into UNA Portal and accessing a degree evaluation through the tabs: **Self Service Banner/Student/Student Records/Leo's Pathway**. The degree evaluation includes the remaining course and credit requirements for graduation in the program specified by the student. The degree evaluation provides a useful guide to the student in preparing subsequent class schedules, but also becomes the official check list for graduation. If there are questions about your degree audit, student should contact their advisor.

Commencement Participation: Individuals who have not completed all degree requirements are not eligible to participate in the commencement ceremony. Students must submit exceptions to this policy to the Dean's office in the degree-granting college. The Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost will review and consider all applications for exceptions, in consultation with the respective dean. If an exception is approved, the notification will be forwarded to the Office of the Registrar for acknowledgment and processing.