**Latin Honors GPA Policy** *beginning Summer 2022*

To be eligible to graduate with honors, an undergraduate student must have completed 60 hours of coursework at Lamar University with a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher. These students are recognized at commencement by wearing red and white honor cords and will have their honor announced as they cross the stage.

Only course work attempted at Lamar University and following high school graduation (or the equivalent) will be included in the grade point average calculation for honors. Transfer course work will not be included in the calculation of GPAs for honors.

*Cum laude* – 3.5 to 3.64  
*Magna cum laude* – 3.65 to 3.79  
*Summa cum laude* – 3.8 to 4.0

The honor recognized at the commencement ceremony is based on the grade point average as of the 12th class day of the current term (4th class day of the summer term for summer graduates). Because the degrees are not conferred until after commencement, the current term grades are not taken into consideration when recognizing Latin Honors at commencement.

Eligible students will be contacted, by email, prior to commencement and will be required to provide email at check-in, indicating they will receive an honor code.

Diplomas disbursed at commencement will not include honors. Students, who are eligible to receive honors, will receive an additional diploma in the mail that will signify which honor they received. Please allow two to four weeks for receipt.

If you requested additional diplomas, we will enclose them with the diploma documented with honors.

Graduate students, obtaining a master or doctorate degree, will not be eligible for Latin honors. Graduate students are required, by Graduate Studies, to maintain a 3.0 or higher to graduate. If you are a part of an honor society you may wear the cord they provide.

If you have questions regarding this policy please contact uggraduation@lamar.edu