

ACADEMIC HONORS

The deadline for having honors designated at the Commencement Ceremonies, regardless of academic program, is the end of the Fall term.

Any grades and/or grade changes subsequently affecting the GPA will not be indicated for Commencement but will be reflected in the honors posted with the degree on the transcript and diploma.

Students official honors will be based upon their GPA at the completion of *all* coursework required to complete their academic degree and will be indicated on the permanent transcript and on the diploma; pending that the student has completed a minimum of 45 units at Vanguard University.

Students who have who have completed by the end of the Fall term no less than 36 units (bearing letter grades) and have maintained a cumulative GPA of 3.500–3.699 will graduate cum laude. Those achieving a cumulative GPA of 3.700–3.899 will graduate magna cum laude, and those achieving an average of 3.900 and above will graduate summa cum laude.

Traditional Undergraduate Program

The Academic Honors list, produced following the end of each term, honors all degree-seeking students with twelve or more units who have earned a GPA of 3.5 or above for that term. Students who have completed, by the end of the Fall term, no less than 36 units (bearing letter grades) at Vanguard University may be eligible to participate with provisional honors in the Commencement ceremonies in May ahead of actual completion of all courses required for graduation.

The School for Professional Studies

Professional Studies students will follow the same scheme noted above for traditional undergraduate students; however, the number of units required to be taken at Vanguard University will vary by program.

Program	Units Required for Honors	Units Required by Fall for Provisional Honors Recognition
Business Administration	39	30
Early Childhood	39	30
Management	39	30
Psychology	39	30
RN to BSN	30	24
Theology	39	30

The Academic Honors list produced at the end of each semester honors all degree-seeking students with nine or more units who have earned a GPA of 3.5 or above for that semester.

In order to have academic honors recorded on their transcript and diploma, students must complete a required minimum number of units at Vanguard University. The number of required units is dependent on the specific program, as outlined in the table below.

Students who have completed the majority of the units required for honors in their respective programs by the end of the Fall semester (as outlined in the chart below) will be eligible to participate with provisional

honors in the Commencement ceremonies ahead of actual completion of all courses required for graduation. Students' official honors, however, will be based upon their GPA at the completion of all coursework required for graduation and will be indicated on the permanent transcript and on the diploma.

