

Preparing for Graduation – Addendum to 2020-2021 Catalog (01/26/2021)

Applying for Graduation

Students must complete an application for graduation in order to be eligible for graduation in their major (AA, AS, AAT, AST) or to receive a Certificate of Achievement, Proficiency, or Completion in their area of study. Graduation applications are available through the Counseling Department at the beginning of the third week of each regular semester for an eight-week period. Students may apply for graduation in the semester that they are intending to complete their requirements.

When the application is received, the student's transcript record will be evaluated and notification of eligibility or of any deficiencies that would prevent the successful completion of the degree requirements at Merced College will be sent.

Effective Spring 2021: Eligibility for Honors distinction is based on coursework completed at Merced College regardless of Catalog Rights. Students may request to have coursework completed outside of the district included in meeting eligibility criteria by General Petition during the Graduation Application filing period identified above (please see a counselor)

Superintendent's Honors

Students graduating with an AA, AS, AAT or AST degree, who have completed at least 36 units at Merced College, and have maintained a GPA of 4.0 in all degree-applicable courses at Merced College will receive recognition from the Superintendent/President of Merced College. Work in progress from the spring semester will not be used in this computation. The computation will be based on completed grades recorded on the student's official Merced College transcript.

Graduation with Honors

Students graduating with an AA, AS, AAT or AST degree, who have completed at least 45 units at Merced College and have maintained a 3.5 GPA in all degree-applicable courses at Merced College will be graduated with honors. Work in progress from the spring semester will not be used in this computation. The computation will be based on completed grades recorded on the student's official Merced College transcript.