

## **GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR GRADUATION**

A candidate for a degree from North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University must satisfy the following minimum requirements:

1. Choose a specific curriculum leading to a degree in one of the schools/colleges and complete the requirements of this curriculum;
2. Complete a minimum of 124 semester hours excluding deficiency courses and remedial work for the Bachelor's degree;
3. Complete the general education requirements of the University for the Bachelor's degree;
4. Earn an average of two (2) grade points for every semester hour undertaken including hours passed or failed and not repeated. After completing the number of credit hours required for graduation, if the student is deficient in grade points, he or she must take additional courses that have been approved by his or her academic dean to secure these points. The student must also obtain an average of 2.0 or more in his or her major field;
5. Complete a minimum of three semesters as a full-time student in residence at the University. This requirement includes the two semesters prior to the period when the student completes his/her requirements for graduation. At least one half of the credits in the student's major field must be earned at the University. Exception to either of these provisions may be made upon the recommendation of the chairperson of the student's major department with the approval of the school/college dean. Transfer students must complete a minimum of 25% of the required degree coursework at North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University to graduate from North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University with that degree.
6. Clear all academic conditions by the end of the semester preceding graduation.
7. Pay all University bills and fees;
8. File an application for graduation with the Office of the Registrar in accordance with the schedule below:
  - A. May graduation – by last day for late registration for spring semester
  - B. Summer graduation – by the end of the second week of class in the summer session
  - C. December graduation – by last day of late registration for fall semester

## **GRADUATING WITH HONORS**

Undergraduate candidates who complete all requirements for graduation in accordance with the following stipulations earn the following honors: (1) Those who maintain a general average within the range of 3.00 to 3.24 will receive CUM LAUDE, (2) those who maintain a general average within the range from 3.25 to 3.49 will receive MAGNA CUM LAUDE, and (3) those who maintain a general average within the range of 3.50 to 4.00 will receive SUMMA CUM LAUDE. For a transfer student a minimum of 60 percent of the credit hours required for a degree program must be earned at North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University to be considered for honors. For example, if the program requires a total of 128 credit hours, 77 of those hours must be earned at North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University. Publication of honors and scholarships is made at commencement.