
Grades

Grade Posting

Grades will be posted on the RedZone by instructors. Grades will be posted by the dates indicated in the Academic Calendar. Students can access their grades by logging onto the RedZone at www.lafayette.edu, using their Student ID number and their PIN.

Grading System

The following symbols are used for student evaluation and will be sent with any transcript leaving the College.

CODE EXPLANATION:

<u>Code</u>	<u>Definition</u>
W	Withdrew
N	No Credit
P	Pass
I	Incomplete
X	By Examination
R	Repeat *
WIP	Work In Progress
	Lab credit included with lecture
AU	Audit

GRADE EXPLANATION:

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Points Earned</u>
A	4.0
B	3.0
C	2.0
D	1.0
F	0.0
P	Pass Credit Only**
N	No Credit
I	Incomplete***

Grade(s) with an asterisk indicate **Academic Forgiveness**

***Repeated Courses** - Lafayette Community College allows students to repeat courses if a “B”, “C”, “D” or “F” has been received. Only the last grade earned in repeated courses counts towards the GPA. All repeated courses are marked.

****Pass Credit** - In courses where a grade is “P”, hours are not included in the GPA.

*****Incomplete Contracts** - These are submitted by the instructor prior to semester end. If work is not completed, Incompletes will be converted to an “F” at the close of the following semester.

Transfer Credits - Lafayette Community College accepts transfer credits from other accredited institutions and grades earned are computed in the cumulative GPA.

Pass/Fail Grade Process

Some students may wish to take certain courses for a pass/fail grade rather than a letter grade. If a student wishes to receive a pass/fail grade, he or she must make this request during the first three weeks of the course. The request should be completed on the Request for Pass/Fail Grade form by the student and given to the instructor. It must be approved by the instructor and the Vice President of Academic Affairs. Once processed, the request cannot be reversed. The white copy of the approved request is to be attached to the grade sheet at the end of the term (the canary copy will be sent to the student).

Note: Students are cautioned to check with their advisor about the transferability of pass/fail courses prior to initiating requests for pass/fail grades. The courses are added to a student’s credit hour total, but are not included in the grade point average. Pass/fail status may affect transfer as well.

Graduation Procedures

Note: Graduation requirements include a 2.0 minimum cumulative GPA.

All students who have completed at least 42 credit hours and plan to graduate in the fall or spring semester must request an official degree check in the Student Affairs Office by completing a “Degree Check Request” form. A “Degree Check Request” should be submitted no later than the end of October prior to spring graduation. Students who wish to graduate in December must submit a Degree Check Request by October 31 and all degree requirements must be completed by the

end of the Fall Semester. All graduating students must have their high school transcript or high school equivalent transcript on file. Transfer students must complete at least 15 credit hours at LCC to graduate. All official transcripts from other institutions must be on file. Evaluation results of the student's permanent academic record will be mailed to the student, outlining specific requirements needed for the degree selected. The response will indicate those requirements completed and those that need to be completed.

Degree candidates must meet graduation requirements found in the catalog of the student's graduation year or a catalog from any of the three years immediately prior to graduation, provided the student was enrolled during the year selected. When a degree program is discontinued, students have two years to complete the program. Students who have completed the program within this time period will be awarded a degree. Once a program is removed from the catalog, no degrees will be awarded for the program.

Students who lack five credit hours or less at the end of the spring semester and plan to complete all course requirements by the end of the fall semester following graduation are eligible to apply for and participate in the graduation ceremony. To qualify, students must have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.0 according to grades posted prior to January 31st. Students who wish to be removed from the graduation list must do so by March 1st. After March 1st, the graduation list will contain the names of all students eligible to participate in the graduation ceremony in May despite any changes to their enrollment status.

All "Degree Check Requests" that have been completed within the previous year are re-evaluated after the certification date in the Spring semester. Students the Registrar has determined as eligible to graduate in May will receive information indicating what they need to do to complete the graduation process. Only students who have successfully completed the graduation process will have their degree noted on their transcript. LCC has a commencement ceremony once a year, in May. Students who complete their degree requirements by the end of the Fall semester will have the degree and graduation date noted on their transcripts. These students will be able to participate in the graduation ceremony the following May.

Graduation with honors shall be determined by the following grade point averages as calculated the semester prior to graduation.

Summa Cum Laude	4.0
Magna Cum Laude	3.75-3.99
Cum Laude	3.50-3.74

Honor students and Veterans will be identified in the graduation program.

Diplomas are mailed to graduates in June.

Holds

Enrollments, official, and unofficial transcripts and related information will be withheld if any financial obligations to the College have not been paid, materials and/or equipment have not been returned, or if the student has yet to take the exit assessment.

Home Schooled and Correspondence Students

Home schooled and correspondence students are eligible to enroll as a regular student after presenting proof of graduation in compliance with Kansas Law. However, additional requirements must be met to be eligible for federal aid. (See "Financial Aid Information" section.)

Honor Roll

Students who enroll in and complete a minimum of 12 credit hours in a semester with a grade point average of at least 4.0 will be included on the President's Honor Roll. Students who are enrolled in at least 12 credit hours and have a grade point average of at least 3.5 with no grades below a "C" will be eligible for the Dean's Honor Roll.