

HONORS

Graduation Honors Policy

Timing of GPA Calculation:

- For May commencements: End of Fall term GPA will be used for the Commencement Program.
- For December commencements: End of Summer term GPA will be used for the Commencement Program.
- Honors will be recalculated after all requirements are met and will appear on the final transcript.

Honors Cords and Societies:

- Approved academic societies may award cords for the commencement ceremony. These are listed in the graduation program.
- Graduates requesting to wear cords from societies not on the approved list must submit requests to the Registrar by **March 31 (spring) or October 31 (fall)**.

Undergraduate Level Honors

- **Bachelor's Degrees (60 Bethel Credits):**
 - **Summa Cum Laude: 3.90** cumulative GPA
 - **Magna Cum Laude: 3.75** cumulative GPA
 - **Cum Laude: 3.60** cumulative GPA
- **Bachelor's Degrees for Students with Fewer than 60 Credits Taken at Bethel University:**
 - **With Distinction: 3.90** cumulative GPA

Graduate Level Honors

For graduate students in programs where no GPA-based honors apply, the hood will be considered the primary honor.

- For master's-level programs at Bethel Seminary, the following graduation honors levels apply:
 - Summa Cum Laude: 3.90 cumulative GPA
 - Magna Cum Laude: 3.75 cumulative GPA
 - Cum Laude: 3.60 cumulative GPA

Semester's Honors Policy

Dean's List Honors:

- Undergraduate students who complete **at least 12 credits** in a semester with a **GPA of 3.60 or higher** will receive Dean's List recognition.
 - Dean's List status is final **14 days after the final grade deadline**.