6.7 Graduation Requirements - Curriculum

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Policy: Piedmont Community College (PCC) adheres to the mandate set by the State Board of Community Colleges for the awarding of degrees, diplomas, and certificates.

Purpose/Definitions Upon satisfactory completion of program requirements, recommendation of the faculty and approval of the Board of Trustees, a student is awarded a degree, diploma, or certificate for the appropriate program of study. A minimum 2.00 grade point average overall and in the student’s major are required for completion of a curriculum program of study.

Approval Authority/Monitoring Authority: Piedmont Community College’s Board of Trustees has approval authority for this policy. The Vice President, Instruction and Student Development has monitoring authority for this policy.

Procedures:
A student must apply to the Director, Admissions and Records for graduation at the end of the semester prior to when the student expects to complete program requirements for a degree, diploma, or certificate. The student’s faculty advisor must review and approve the graduation application. Graduation application forms are available in the Office of Student Development. The required graduation fee must accompany the application. In order to graduate, a student must settle all financial obligations to PCC.

Students will be awarded the respective academic credentials at the end of the semester when the graduation requirements are completed. Completion of program requirements will be noted on the student’s transcript at that time. PCC holds an annual graduation ceremony at the conclusion of the Spring semester. Students may participate in the spring graduation following the completion of their graduation requirements.

Legal Citation: G.S. 115A-5; G.S. 115D-5; NCAC 2E.0102-.0104; NCAC 2E.0201

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