

SOUTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY

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PURPOSE

South Carolina State University is accredited by the Southern Association of College and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC). As a standard of accreditation, South Carolina State University must notify its constituents of graduation requirements, including requirements to graduate with honors.

POLICY STATEMENT

Effective May 1, 2019, the Graduation with Honors Policy shall read as follows:

Degree candidates whose scholastic performance reflects high achievement in all their university courses through the senior year, may graduate with distinction designated as:

1. **Summa Cum Laude:** Grade Point Average of 3.75 or above.
2. **Magna Cum Laude:** Grade Point Average of 3.50 through 3.74.
3. **Cum Laude:** Grade Point Average of 3.00 through 3.49.

The mandate that transfer students are prohibited from earning the honor of summa cum laude is now removed.

APPROVAL

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