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Graduation ceremonies are intended to recognize students who have completed all degree requirements and to celebrate their achievements. Students who are nearly completed with their degree requirements are also permitted to march and participate in the celebration within guidelines designed to maintain integrity of the degree-awarding process.

Upon submission of their Application for Graduation/Marching by the published deadline, students are authorized academically to participate in graduation ceremonies when they meet one of the following criteria:

1. Following registration for the term culminating in a Spring or Summer graduation ceremony, they fall within one of the following categories:
 - a. Undergraduate students who lack no more than 6 semester credits for degree completion and meet both overall and major GPA requirements. Credits lacking include I's, DG's and unregistered work.
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 - b. Graduate or undergraduate students who lack only completion of an unregistered practicum or internship or student teaching requirement which could be expected to be completed before the next graduation event.
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 - c. Master of Divinity students who lack no more than 6 semester credits for degree completion, including practical field work courses. Credits lacking include I's, DG's and unregistered work.
2. Master or Specialist students without a thesis or project option who have been advanced to degree candidacy, lack no more than 4 semester credits for completion and by the official deadlines have met all other graduate degree requirements,

including passing comprehensive exams (if required in the program). Credits lacking include I's, DG's and unregistered work.

3. Master or Specialist students with a thesis or project option who have completed all coursework, passed comprehensive exams (if required), and obtained approval of their thesis/project by the appropriate graduate committee, but have yet to file the thesis/project, as required. Notification of thesis/project approval must reach the Academic Records Office no later than 11:30 a.m. on Friday, one week before graduation.
4. Doctoral students who have completed all coursework, have met all graduate degree requirements, including passing comprehensive exams, and no later than four weeks before the graduation ceremony obtain approval of the appropriate graduate committee following successful defense of their dissertation/project (if required in the program), with one of the following results: "Accept the dissertation/project as defended" or "Accept the dissertation/project with minor revisions." For candidates whose result is "Accept the dissertation/project with major revisions," written notification from their committee that they have made satisfactory revisions as required must reach the Academic Records Office no later than 11:30 a.m. on Friday, one week before graduation. For graduation procedures applying to the PhD in Religion and ThD programs see bulletin section on PhD program requirements, "Oral Defense of Dissertation: After the Defense," p. 359 and the *PhD Program Handbook*.

The graduation program does not distinguish between those students who have actually completed all requirements and those who have not. All students authorized to participate will receive diploma covers, and all doctoral candidates will be hooded. However, for those who march without completion, diplomas will be issued and dated on the next official graduation or degree conferral date following completion of all degree requirements.

A list of graduates who have completed all requirements and received degrees for each commencement will be made public through a posting on the Andrews University website.

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

A Admission to Andrews University is available to any student who meets the academic and character requirements of the university and who expresses willingness to cooperate with its policies. Because Andrews University is operated by the Seventh-day Adventist Church, the majority of its students are Seventh-day Adventists. However, no particular religious commitment is required for admission. Any qualified student who would be comfortable within its religious, social, and cultural atmosphere may be admitted. The university does not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, creed, disability, national or ethnic origin, sex, marital status or handicap.

Admission to one of the schools of Andrews University does not guarantee admission to a specific department or program within a given school. Transfers from one school to another may be made when the student meets the admission requirements for that school and has the consent of the deans involved.

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- Request application materials
Telephone: 800-253-2874 toll free
Web site: <http://connect.andrews.edu>
Postal Address:
Office of Undergraduate Admissions
Andrews University
4150 Administration Dr
Berrien Springs MI 49104-0740
- Return a completed Undergraduate Application form with the \$30 fee.
- Use a Transcript Request form(s) to request official transcript(s) to be sent directly to Andrews University from the secondary school and/or any and all colleges attended.
- Take the ACT or SAT test and arrange to have the results sent directly to Andrews.

A Some departments have admission deadlines. Consult departmental sections of this bulletin for details. All students should apply several months before they plan to enroll at the university.

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Immunization. Each student born after December 31, 1956, must show proof of immunity to the diseases by one of the following means:

- Two MMR vaccines received after 12 months of age
- One MMR vaccine received within the two years before registration
- A blood test proving immunity to the diseases.

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Students who have already attended a community college or other post-secondary school are admitted based on the same admission standards required of all applicants.

Transfer students who have earned at least 24 semester credits before applying to Andrews are evaluated on the basis of their college GPA and not their secondary-school GPA.

Transfer credits do not appear on the student's Andrews transcript. A transfer student who does not meet admission standards may apply. The student's application materials will be reviewed by the

General fee for the semester as well. This fee is also discounted at 50%. There is no discount on lab/class fees. Once the PTC form is completed, the student then makes a payment for their 50% portion plus applicable lab/class fees at Student Financial Services after which they are financially cleared, shown as registered, and ready to start classes.

Students who eventually apply and receive regular admission, may ask that up to 21 of the undergraduate credits taken on a PTC basis be applied towards the proposed degree. A minimum grade of C must be received in each course to be accepted for degree credit.

International Students

International students must pay an advance deposit and a housing deposit. Such students are also required to present a satisfactory budget for financing their studies and living costs (see the financial section of this bulletin).

Only after the above provisions have been met will an I-20 Form be issued to enable a student to obtain the necessary entry visa to the U.S.

Skills Building

Some freshmen who do not meet regular admissions standards but whose high school performance or test scores indicate a possibility of success may be accepted. They are advised through the Student Success office. They will receive skills assessments and will be placed in classes selectively to enhance their academic success. Many will be required to take skills building classes. Students accepted with intervention must improve any skills deficits and achieve satisfactory academic performance in order to progress in their academic program.

Refused Admission

Applicants may be refused admission

- when they do not meet the admission standards
- when they submit transcripts or records found to be fraudulent.

Admission status may be canceled or annulled

- when students do not meet the conditions specified for continuing enrollment
- when the admission status was based on documents later found to be fraudulent.

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Placement

Students are assigned academic advisors based on the major chosen. Advisors function as academic guidance counselors to help students to schedule their courses, to learn how to follow academic rules and regulations, and to make decisions regarding their future.

Before registration, all new students must take two placement tests for use in academic advising:

- ACT or SAT
The ACT or SAT is required for admission and should be taken before arriving on campus.

- Mathematics Placement Test

The Mathematics Placement Test is given on campus.

Direct questions concerning advising, tutoring and student success to the Student Success Center. (phone 269-472-6096, email: success@andrews.edu).

Students are encouraged to declare their major field of study by the start of their sophomore year. Special advisors are assigned to students yet undecided. Assistance in exploring majors/careers is given through the Student Success Center and the Counseling and Testing Center.

High School Preparation

If you want to be well prepared for your university studies at Andrews University, we recommend that you take the following courses during your high school/academy/secondary home school years (or the equivalent of grades 9 through 12 in the U.S. educational system):

- Three years of math, including algebra I and II;
- Three years of lab sciences courses, with biology, chemistry and/or physics recommended;
- Four years of English courses, including ones that emphasize writing and vocabulary;
- Two years of a foreign language if your

grades below a B (3.00), and have no incompletes. Receipt of a DG does not affect eligibility for the Dean's List. Each semester this list may be published or posted.

SEMI-WEKLY LOAD

The course load is expressed in semester credits. Each semester credit represents one fifty-minute class period or equivalent per week for one semester. Preparation time of approximately two hours for each class period is assumed. Thus a 4-credit class meets four times a week. A laboratory or practicum experience of 3 hours is considered equal to one regular class period unless otherwise noted in the course syllabus.

The normal undergraduate class load is 15 to 16 credits per semester. Those wishing to register for more than 17 credits must secure permission from their dean. If good scholarship has been demonstrated by the student, the dean may permit a freshman to register for a maximum load of 17 credits; sophomores, juniors,

- A minimum of one-third of the credits required for a major, and 3 credits required for a minor must be earned on campus and in courses numbered 300 or above.
- School of Business Administration students seeking a BBA must complete at least 50% of the core and major (33 of the total 66 credits) in residence.

- Overall GPA: A GPA of at least 2.00 (C) is required in all credits, and in credits earned at Andrews University that are used to meet degree requirements. (Individual schools or departments may have higher minimum GPA requirements.)
- Major GPA: A GPA of at least 2.2 A GPAo least