

# GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

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## REQUIREMENTS FOR DEGREES

### Total Credits

To earn a degree, a candidate must earn 125 credits. To earn a second degree, a candidate must complete 30 credits in addition to those earned for the first degree.

### Credit Limits

The following limits apply to the 125 credits needed to earn a degree:

- No more than 8 credits in paracurricular courses, with no more than 4 courses from any one department, may count toward graduation.
- No more than 10 credits in internship courses may count toward graduation.
- No more than 5 credits from peer instruction may count toward graduation.
- No more than 20 credits in independent study courses may count toward graduation.
- No more than 20 credits in experiential learning may count toward graduation.

### Cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA)

To earn a bachelor's degree a candidate must have achieved:

- a cumulative GPA of at least 2.000
- a cumulative GPA of at least 2.000 in courses contributing to the major

Additional majors and minors are also subject to the a minimum 2.000 GPA requirement. Some majors or departments may have higher GPA requirements as specified.

### Residency

At least 30 credits must be from Linfield University including 20 of the last 30 credits, 15 credits in each major, and 10 credits in each minor. Credits in residency do not include credit through challenge examinations, Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, CLEP examinations, or portfolio evaluation credits.

A student with at least 30 credits earned at Linfield may, with prior approval of the Curriculum Committee, spend the senior year at a foreign university.

### Concurrent and Subsequent Degrees

Students who possess a baccalaureate degree (earned at Linfield or another institutionally accredited institution) may earn a second degree from Linfield by earning at least 30 additional credits in residence, including 15 credits in a second major in a field of study different from the first degree. The program must meet all requirements for graduation in the major and for the degree in effect at the time of residence.

Requirements met by students in the course of obtaining their original degrees need not be met a second time. Students seeking a second baccalaureate degree are assessed undergraduate fees. Upon completion of requirements, a diploma is awarded, and the transcript records the second degree and the major.