



California University of Pennsylvania

POLICY: Presidential Scholar Designation and Recognition for Academic Excellence

A. Purpose & Scope:

To describe the process and procedures for designation and recognition of Presidential Scholars achieving academic excellence in undergraduate degree programs

B. Definition(s):

C. Policy:

A baccalaureate degree-seeking student designated as a Presidential Scholar must have a cumulative GPA of 3.75 in a baccalaureate program and have completed 60 credits (junior level) and 90 credits (senior level), of which at least 30 must have been taken at California University (calculated beyond an associate degree or other first degree, if applicable, and in the present baccalaureate degree program).

An associate degree-seeking student designated as a Presidential Scholar must have a cumulative GPA of 3.75 at California and have completed 45 credits; all of which must have been taken at this University.

Credits earned and cumulative GPAs are calculated based on final credits and grades earned in the term immediately prior to the Spring semester (Fall or Winter). All actively enrolled, full- and part-time undergraduate students are eligible to be named Presidential Scholars.

D. Procedure(s):

The University encourages and rewards academic excellence on the part of graduate and undergraduate degree-seeking students by recognizing Presidential Scholars at a private event hosted by the University President during the Spring semester. This award is a unique distinction, separate and apart from Honors at Graduation.

E. Effective date: 2005-2006 Undergraduate Catalog

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