Degrees with Honors, Valedictorian, and Salutatorian

Degrees Conferred with Honors

Undergraduate degrees conferred at the conclusion of the Easter semester will be conferred with honors when the student's cumulative grade point average (GPA) places them in the top 25 percent of the graduating class with the specific honor corresponding to the following ranges:

Code	Title	Semester Hours
Honor	Percentage Range	
summa cum laude	within the top five percent of the graduating class	
magna cum laude	next ten percent of the graduating class (i.e., within the top 15 percent but not within the five percent)	top
cum laude	next ten percent of the graduating class (i.e., within the top 25 percent but not within the 15 percent)	top

Undergraduate degrees conferred at other points in the academic year will be conferred with honors when the student's grade point average (GPA) falls within the ranges of the grade point averages of students whose degrees were conferred with honors at the conclusion of the previous Easter semester.

Valedictorian and Salutatorian

The College Standards Committee declares a class valedictorian and salutatorian. These students must be members of the Order of the Gown and must have pursued a full college course of study (128 semester hours) at Sewanee. Exceptions may be made for students spending no more than two semesters at an officially sanctioned off-campus program.