Subject/Title: Graduate Degree Graduation Requirements

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Responsible Division/Department: Graduate Division
Initiating Authority: Dr. Terry Parker, Provost and Executive Vice President of Academic Affairs

A. APPLICABILITY/ACCOUNTABILITY:
This policy applies to all students seeking a Graduate degree from the University.

B. POLICY STATEMENT:
In order to be awarded a Graduate degree, a student must meet all of the following requirements:
1. Satisfactory completion of the applicable program degree requirements and established curriculum as identified in the University Catalog in effect at the beginning of the student’s most recent period of continuous enrollment.
2. Satisfactory completion of 30 credit hours of approved graduate courses and a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or better.
3. Earn at least two-thirds of the credits applied towards the Graduate degree through the University.
4. Completion of any pre-requisites or deficiencies as identified at admissions by the Faculty Advisor, Department Chair, or Division Director; and
5. Submission of a completed Graduation Application to the Office of the University Registrar so that it is received by the Registrar on or before the “Graduation Application Deadline” as noted on the Academic Calendar for the semester in which the student anticipates graduating.

All work used to meet degree requirements, including coursework and the successful defense of a thesis or project, if applicable, must be completed within the six-year period immediately prior to degree conferral. An approved leave of absence does not increase or alter the time limits for degree completion.

ACADEMIC POLICY APPROVAL

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Initiating Authority __________________________ Date ________________
Policies & Procedures Committee Chair __________________________ Date ________________
Vice President of Academic Affairs __________________________ Date ________________
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Approved by FPU BOT, if required __________________________ Date ________________

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