

## Graduation and Honors

### Graduation

To be eligible to receive your diploma, you must have accomplished the following:

- completed all of your required classes with final passing grades posted on your transcript and with a minimum 2.00 cumulative QPA (for undergraduate students) or a minimum 3.00 cumulative QPA (for graduate students)
- performed all of your required recitals
- passed all of your required proficiency tests
- completed all other requirements, if applicable
- cleared your financial account

You can check the status of your classes and your financial account on Student Information Online at any time. <https://s3.as.cmu.edu/sio/index.html> A record of your completed recitals, proficiency tests, and other requirements, if applicable, is on your transcript.

### Honors

#### Dean's List

A student is eligible for the College of Fine Arts Dean's List for the applicable semester when his/her Q.P.A. for that semester is at least 3.5 and he/she is in the top 35% of the School of Music students for that semester by Q.P.A. rank.

#### Graduation with College Honors

To qualify for College Honors a School of Music student must have a cumulative QPA of (1.) The School of Music student has won a School of Music Award. Awards include:

Charlotte Black Memorial Award

Lee & Barbara Cass Award

Derdeyn Award in Voice

Lauren Eshbaugh Memorial Award in Voice

Mary & George Wilkins Scholarship for Cellists

Silberman Clarinet Award

CMU School of Music Violin Award

Sigma Alpha Iota Collegiate Honor Award

Sigma Alpha Iota Scholastic Award

Theodore Presser Undergraduate Scholar Award

Graf Scholarship for Music Education

Harry G. Archer Award

Pittsburgh Female College Association Prize

Winner of the Concerto Competition

A member of the winning group in the Silberman Chamber Music Competition

First prize winner of the Baroque Ensemble Concerto Competition

First prize winner of the Wind Ensemble Concerto Competition

First prize winner of the Orchestra Composition Contest

First prize winner of the String Quartet Composition Contest

Election to membership in Pi Kappa Lambda

(2.) A School of Music student can be nominated for College Honors by any member of the School of Music faculty, full or part time. The nominating faculty member, if he/she is not the student's studio instructor, must obtain the studio instructor's approval or acquiescence to the nomination. The student's case does not move forward in the event of an objection by the studio instructor. The nominating faculty member will take the student's case to the relevant School of Music division where the case will be discussed, and a vote taken. A simple majority of 'yes' votes will move the case to the school's Division Chairs committee. The nominating faculty member will present his/her case regarding the student to the Division Chairs committee. This will be followed by a report from the chair of the division in which the case began regarding the discussion and final vote. Further testimony regarding the student's case can be given by any faculty member. The chair will entertain motions to award College Honors. A simple majority of 'yes' votes in the Division Chairs committee will cause the student to be awarded College Honors.

No faculty member should inform the student of his/her nomination until the process is finished and College Honors are awarded. If the case fails, the student should not be made aware of the effort.

#### **Graduation with University Honors**

A student is eligible for graduation with university honors when his/her cumulative Q.P.A. is at least 3.5.