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5 **Honors for Undergraduate Students**

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7 (This policy supersedes PS 77-19, 81-03, and 98-11.)

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9 This policy was recommended by the Academic Senate on March 27, 2008  
10 and approved by the President on April 9, 2008.

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13 **I. Graduation with Honors**

14 A. Latin Honors

15 The following grade-point average (GPA) criteria are used to identify undergraduate students eligible for the honors  
16 specified:

- 17 1. equal to or greater than 3.950 graduated summa cum laude,
- 18 2. equal to or greater than 3.750 but less than 3.950 graduated magna cum laude, and
- 19 3. equal to or greater than 3.500 but less than 3.750 graduated cum laude.

20 An undergraduate student may be considered eligible for honors at graduation provided that a minimum of 45  
21 units are earned at California State University, Long Beach. For the first baccalaureate degree, the GPA shall be  
22 determined from units earned at CSULB plus transferred units. For the second baccalaureate degree, the GPA  
23 shall be determined only by courses taken after the first degree was awarded that are also required by the second  
24 major.

25 B. Departmental Honors

26 With the approval of the dean of the college, departments may elect to award departmental honors to their graduates  
27 based on GPA and/or other criteria determined by the department. The number of honors awarded by a department shall  
28 be limited to three students or five percent of graduates, whichever is larger.

29 C. Notification

30 University honors will be noted on the diploma and transcript. Departmental honors will be noted on the transcript  
31 only.

32 **II. Honor Lists**

33 Undergraduate students exhibiting outstanding scholastic achievement are honored by being included on the  
34 president's or dean's list. A certificate will be issued for each semester in which the student receives this honor.

35 A. President's List

36 Students will be placed on the President's List to honor them for academic achievement each semester in which they  
37 complete 12 or more graded course units with a semester GPA equal to or greater than 3.750. Students earning  
38 fewer than 12 graded course units per semester will be placed on the President's List in the spring semester of the  
39 academic year in which they accumulate 12 or more graded course units with an academic year GPA equal to or  
40 greater than 3.750.

41 B. Dean's List

42 Students will be placed on the dean's list to honor them for academic achievement each semester in which they  
43 complete 12 or more graded course units with a semester GPA equal to or greater than 3.500 but less than 3.750.  
44 Students earning fewer than 12 graded course units per semester will be placed on the Dean's List in the spring  
45 semester of the academic year in which they accumulate 12 or more graded course units with an academic year  
46 GPA equal to or greater than 3.500 but less than 3.750.

