

## **Graduation**

The College holds a formal commencement ceremony each May at both Fauquier and Middletown Campuses. Students completing graduation requirements in the summer term may receive their diploma in August. Students who graduate at the end of the summer or fall terms are considered graduates of the class the following May. Applications for graduation and additional information are available from the Admissions and Records Office.

### **Academic Apparel**

All students participating in graduation exercises are required to obtain and wear appropriate academic apparel as determined by the College.

### **Graduation Requirements**

The catalog in effect on the date a student is formally admitted to a curriculum/program is used to determine course and credit requirements for graduation. The new catalog for each academic year becomes effective on the first day of June. The College reserves the right to make changes in the curricular requirements when necessary. Students are encouraged to keep up with changes to their curriculum as listed in new catalogs. In cases where a student discontinues enrollment at the College for two consecutive semesters (excluding summer), graduation requirements are determined by the catalog in effect during the semester a student re-enrolls.

### **Graduation Honors**

A student who has fulfilled the applicable program of study requirements is eligible for graduation honors. Appropriate honors based upon scholastic achievements are recorded on the student's permanent record as follows:

Cumulative GPA Honor

3.2 Cum laude (with honor)

3.5 Magna cum laude (with high honor)

3.8 Summa cum laude (with highest honor)