

Title: Awarding Degrees and Credit
Expiration

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Policy

Awarding Degrees for Previous Completion:

Students who have completed the program requirements but did not apply for graduation before their final semester of attendance will have (10) ten years from the first day of their last semester of attendance to apply for graduation, except in cases where the program has been cancelled. Upon application and verification of the degree requirements per their original catalog, the degree will be awarded within the semester in which the student applies for graduation, and a program completion date will also be noted on the diploma. Students do not need to apply for readmission or be currently enrolled to apply for graduation.

Awarding Degrees through Reverse Transfer:

Students who have not completed the program requirements of an associate degree before they transfer may retroactively be granted an associate degree from SLCC upon transfer of the missing credits to SLCC. Students have ten (10) years from the first day of the final semester of attendance to apply for a degree, except in cases where the program has been cancelled. Upon application and verification of the degree requirements in the catalog that best suits the students, the degree will be awarded within the semester in which the student applies for graduation. Students do not need to apply for readmission or be currently enrolled to apply for reverse transfer and graduation.

Course Credit Expiration:

South Louisiana Community College allows a student to apply completed residential course credits to an associate, technical, or certificate program for up to ten (10) years after a course is successfully completed except in cases where accrediting board or industry requirements influence credit expiration.

If a student completes a program within those ten (10) years, the course credits used in the program become permanent on the student's transcript and may be applied at a later date toward the fulfillment of requirements for other programs, if the course is part of the program's current curriculum.

However, if a program credential is not awarded/conferred within ten years, or if the program has undergone a curriculum modification, the course credits will need to be reviewed and certified as acceptable by the division dean or appointee. Any courses not certified as acceptable must be repeated, if it is needed to meet program requirements.

Review Process:

	Reviewing Committee/Entity	Review Date(s)	Approval Date	Effective Date
	<i>Committee for Institutional Policy Review</i>	<i>11.25.19</i>	<i>11.25.19</i>	
	<i>Executive Committee</i>	<i>12.02.19</i>	<i>01.09.2020</i>	<i>01.10.2020</i>

Chancellor's Signature/Approval

SIGNATURE:



DATE: 1/9/2020

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