MONTCLAIR
STATE UNIVERSITY

GPA for Programs of Study (Major, Minor, and Certificate) – Undergraduate	
Responsible Office:	Academic Affairs
Policy Summary:	Establishes consistent, reasonable, and transparent grade point average (GPA) requirements for admission into academic programs, minors, certificates, and milestones for advancement at Montclair State University.
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I. Purpose

To establish consistent, reasonable, and transparent grade point average (GPA) requirements for admission into academic programs, minors, certificates, and milestones for advancement at Montclair State University.

Students should be able to rely upon consistent, reasonable, and transparent determinations of minimal grade point averages (GPA) for admission into an academic program/degree, minor, or certificate, as well as minimal GPAs used as successful milestones for advancement.

II. Applicability

This policy applies to all students seeking admission into academic programs, minors, certificates, or those advancing through academic programs at Montclair State University.

III. Definitions (as applicable)

IV. Policy

Adhering to the approval process determined by a college/school dean and the University Provost, any program of study may establish a minimal GPA above 2.0 for admission, milestones, advancement or completion.

- The GPA is calculated on a 4.00 scale.

- Only grades of required courses and required electives should be considered when calculating the GPA for programs of study. Grades of prerequisite courses recommended or required before formal admission into a program should not be considered when calculating the GPA for programs of study.

- Grades of General Education courses, World Cultures courses, and free electives that do not also count as program requirements should not be considered when calculating the GPA for programs of study.

- Pass/Fail grades are not calculated in the GPA for the program of study.

- First-time freshmen might require a minimum high school cumulative GPA for admission to a program, where the college/school has designated one in consultation with Enrollment Management.

- Transfer students might require a minimum GPA from prior institutions where the college/school has designated one in consultation with Enrollment Management.

V. Procedure (as applicable)

VI. References