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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Class of 2024 - 2026 Minimum Graduation Requirements

1. **Purpose:** This document articulates the minimum requirements that each Cadet must meet to graduate from the United States Military Academy (USMA).

2. **Discussion:**

The United States Military Academy educates, trains, and inspires cadets across a core set of developmental experiences in the academic, military, physical, and character programs, collectively known as the West Point Leadership Development System (WPLDS). The WPLDS is designed to produce graduates who:

- *Live honorably*
- *Lead honorably*
- *Demonstrate excellence*

To assess if a cadet has demonstrated the minimum virtues and merit expected of a USMA graduate and future US Army officer, USMA's minimum graduation requirements are published below. Note that cadets must always aspire to far exceed these minimum standards, both individually and collectively.

3. **Minimum Requirements:**

a. Institutional:

- (1) Achieve a Cumulative Quality Point Average (CQPA) of 2.00.
- (2) Complete a minimum of eight semesters as a full-time cadet, either at the Academy or as a part of an Academic Board-sanctioned semester exchange program.
- (3) Successfully complete the USMA core curriculum in the academic, military, physical, and character programs as defined in the Red Book, Green Book, White Book, and Gold Book, respectively. Also, achieve an Academic Program Score Cumulative (APSC), Military Program Score Cumulative (MPSC), and Physical Program Score Cumulative (PPSC) each of 2.00 or greater.

(4) Successfully complete one of the following broadening experiences: A Military Individual Advanced Development (MIAD), a Physical Individual Advanced Development (PIAD), or an Academic Individual Advanced Development (AIAD).

(5) Meet the Army body composition standards of Army Regulation 600-9 (Army Body Composition Program).

(6) Meet the Army physical readiness requirements.

b. Academic Program: Satisfy the requirements of at least one academic major.

c. Military Program:

(1) Successfully complete Cadet Basic Training (CBT), Cadet Field Training (CFT), and Cadet Leader Development Training (CLDT).

(2) Successfully complete Drill Cadet Leader Training (DCLT), Cadet Troop Leader Training (CTLT), or an Academic Board-approved constructive credit experience.

(3) Successfully complete a West Point summer leader detail during second or first-class summer.


d. Physical Program: Successfully complete the Indoor Obstacle Course Test (IOCT) during the second or first-class year.

e. Character Program:

(1) Abide by the Cadet Honor Code. If a cadet is found to have violated the code and is retained, he/she is required to successfully complete a prescribed remediation program.

(2) Abide by the standards of conduct and respect for others. If a cadet violates these standards and is retained, he/she is required to successfully complete a prescribed remediation program.

4. The Academic Board approved these minimum graduation requirements on 22 October 2020.

  
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