

Article VIII. Degrees

Section 1. Degrees in Course

- a. Whitman College confers the degree of Bachelor of Arts with such honors as are customarily recognized.
- b. Two baccalaureate degrees may not be conferred on the same student at the same time, but a second baccalaureate degree may be earned as follows:
 - 1) A student must earn a minimum of 30 semester credits in residence following the date of completion of all requirements for the first baccalaureate degree;
 - 2) A student must complete the requirements for a major in a subject-matter field different from that presented as a requirement for the first baccalaureate degree.
- c. Degrees in course shall be conferred by vote of the Board of Trustees, with faculty recommendation, on students who have completed the requirements for the respective degrees to the satisfaction of the faculty. (Const., Art. VIII, Sec. I.)

Section 2. Degrees Awarded in Absentia

A degree shall not be conferred *in absentia* except by special action of the Board of Review taken in response to a petition showing satisfactory reasons for inability to take the degree in person during a degree conferring ceremony scheduled by the College.

Section 3. Exchange of Bachelor of Science Degree

Graduates of Whitman College who received the degree of Bachelor of Science prior to the year 1930, may exchange that degree for the degree of Bachelor of Arts upon payment of costs incident to providing a new diploma.

Section 4. Honorary Degrees

Honorary degrees shall be conferred by vote of the Board of Trustees, on recommendation of the faculty, in recognition of the public service and attainments of the candidates. When an honorary degree is conferred, the recipient must be present. (Const., Art. VIII, Sec. 2.)