

**WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF GOVERNORS
POLICY 35**

**ACCREDITATION and DEGREE STANDARDS
West Virginia University (including Potomac State College)**

Section 1: General

- 1.1 This rule specifies the accreditation expectation of the West Virginia University Board of Governors for West Virginia University, and the Board's minimum standards for Conferring Degrees.
- 1.2 Authority. – WV Code §18B-1-6, §18B-4-7
- 1.3 Effective Date. – June 2, 2006

Section 2: Accreditation

West Virginia University shall be accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, or its successor.

Section 3: Minimum Degree Standards

To be eligible to receive a baccalaureate degree, a GPA of at least 2.0 is required at the time of graduation. Individual degree programs may require a higher grade point average overall or in specified courses, if approved by the Office of Academic Affairs, or if already in effect as of the effective date of this policy. In all such cases, the higher standard shall prevail.