

textbook (ie: from the college bookstore, local bookstore, library) on the subject.

4. **Critical Thinking** - Competency in critical thinking will be required of all transfer degrees of Darton State College. This requirement may be fulfilled by satisfactory completion of one of the following courses: COMM 1000 Cultural Diversity in Communication, COMM 1100 Human Communications, or COMM 1110 Public Speaking.

5. **Special** - Additional graduation requirements may be imposed on students in career programs.

6. **Regents' Testing Program** - All transfer degree students must satisfy the requirements of the University System Regents' test to receive an associate degree. Beginning with the Summer 2011 semester, Darton State College students seeking a degree no longer have to take the Regents' Test in order to graduate. Darton State College was granted Regents' Test exemption status; this means that the skills measured by the Regents' Test are measured within the core curriculum. Specifically, at Darton State College, a student is considered to have met the Regents' Testing requirements by earning a grade of C or better in both ENGL 1101 and ENGL 1102.

7. **Competency in Fitness/Wellness** - A competency in fitness/wellness will be required of all graduates of Darton State College with the exception of those excluded by program requirements, special contracts and certificate programs.

## **M. GRADUATION CEREMONY**

The College awards diplomas for degree recipients and certificates for successful completion of certain programs. Graduates must participate in the formal graduation exercise or must petition the Registrar for permission to graduate in absentia.

## **N. SPECIALIZED GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

1. Accounting Recipients. In addition to College graduation requirements, Accounting students must have a minimum grade of "C" in each Accounting course.
2. Business Computer System Recipients. In addition to College graduation requirements, Business Computer System students must have a minimum grade of "C" in CISM 2201 and in each COPR course.
3. Cardiovascular Technology Recipients. In addition to College graduation requirements, Cardiovascular Technology students must have a minimum grade of "C" in each Cardiovascular Technology course.
4. Dental Hygiene Recipients. In addition to College graduation requirements, Dental Hygiene students must have a minimum grade of "C" in each Dental Hygiene course.
5. Health Information Technology Recipients. In addition to College graduation requirements, Health Information Technology students must have a minimum grade of "C" in each Health Information Technology course.
6. Human Services Technology Recipients. In addition to College graduation requirements, Human Services Technology students must have a minimum grade of "C" in each Human Services Technology course.
7. Medical Laboratory Technology Recipients. In addition to College graduation requirements, Medical Laboratory Technology students must have a minimum grade of "C" in each MLT course.
8. Nursing Recipients. In addition to College graduation requirements, Nursing students must have a minimum grade of "C" in each Nursing course and in the science courses.
9. Occupational Therapy Assistant Recipients. In addition to College graduation requirements, Occupational Therapy Assistant students must have a minimum grade of "C" in each OTA course.
10. Physical Therapist Assistant Recipients. In addition to College graduation requirements, Physical Therapist Assistant students must have a minimum grade of "C" in each Physical Therapist Assistant course.