

Bellarmine University Office of Financial Aid
KEES On Track to Graduate Policy for 2018-2019 and beyond

- KY Legislative Reference: KRS 164.7881 and 164.7874
- Per the statute, on track to graduate means the number of cumulative credit hours earned as compared to the number of hours determined by the postsecondary education institution as necessary to complete a bachelor's degree by the end of eight (8) academic terms.
- The on track to graduate requirement applies to KEES recipients who initially enrolled in college as a degree-seeking student in 2009-2010 or after.
- The student's first on track to graduate evaluation will be at the end of the student's second year of enrollment.
- The requirement impacts students whose cumulative grade point averages are between 2.5 and 2.999.

Definition for On Track to Graduate:

1. Definition of Year:

For KEES On track to Graduate purposes only, a year will be defined as follows:

- **Second Year:** student enrolled at Bellarmine University for four terms
- **Third Year:** student enrolled at Bellarmine University for six terms
- **Fourth Year:** student enrolled at Bellarmine University for eight terms

Note: Only fall and spring terms will be considered in the term calculation below.

2. Definition for On Track to Graduate:

Bellarmine University will monitor earned hours as part of the On Track to Graduate policy. Transfer hours accepted toward the degree will be included in the calculation of earned hours.

Year	Number of Terms Enrolled (Count fall or spring terms only)	Earned Hours Required to be considered as On Track to Graduate (includes transfer hours accepted at the institution)
Second Year	Up to 4 terms	44 credit hours
Third Year	Up to 6 terms	82 credit hours
Fourth Year	Up to 8 terms	120 credit hours

3. Any hours earned during a preceding summer semester will be counted as part of the cumulative earned hours.
4. On Track to Graduate status will be measured at the end of the spring term and reported to KHEAA at that time.
5. There will be no institutional based appeal process. Students with exceptions specifically provided in the statute may appeal directly to KHEAA.