The Evaluations Office checks students' applications for bachelor's degrees and reports to them regarding eligibility for the degrees. Degrees are not awarded to students with *I* or *RD* grades remaining on their records. Students receiving *I* grades during the final year that have not been completed (or changed to *F* grades) by the appropriate clearance deadline will not be considered for graduation that semester and must reapply for the degree. (See *Incomplete,* page 75.)

In order to be eligible for graduation, students must:

1. Submit an application for the degree and pay the graduation fee

2. Have been approved for graduation by the faculty

3. Have completed with appropriate scholastic standing all courses required for the degree (Graduates receive their official diplomas by mail.)

4. Have filed official transcripts for all coursework attempted prior to graduation

It is the responsibility of students to be sure that all requirements have been met and that documentation has been filed with the Evaluations Office, or Graduate Office, by the appropriate deadlines. No additions, deletions, or changes to students' records are permitted after the degree has been recorded.

Honors at Graduation. Honors at the time of graduation from the university are awarded to undergraduate students based on the following criteria:

1. Students must have an overall minimum grade point average of 3.5 on all work attempted.

2. Students must have a minimum grade point average of 3.5 on all work taken at the university.

3. Students must have completed 45 units in residence at California State University, Fresno.

The grade point average earned at California State University, Fresno determines which honors the student receives:

Summa Cum Laude
   (highest honors) .... **3.90 to 4.00**

Magna Cum Laude
   (high honors) .... **3.70 to 3.89**

Cum Laude (honors) .... **3.50 to 3.69**

Since the requirement for honors could change, students are requested to check the current *General Catalog* for the criteria in effect at the time of graduation.

A Four-Year Graduation Plan

California State University, Fresno pledges that a first-time freshman student may attain the baccalaureate degree in four years when a student follows the provisions and regulations outlined below.

To facilitate students' graduation goals, California State University, Fresno extends to qualified students the opportunity to engage in a formal partnership that assures timely completion of a degree. Students enrolling in the university's Degree Guarantee Program are pledged certain advantages that will facilitate progress toward the degree. Among these advantages:

1. **Guaranteed Course Availability.** Students enrolled in the Degree Guarantee Program will be provided all courses specifically required for completion of their degree and major as described in the *General Catalog* and as articulated in the "Four-Year Program of Study" developed with their Degree Guarantee Program advisers.

2. **Specialized Advising.** Students will be eligible for advising every semester from specially designated Degree Guarantee Program advisers in their respective major departments (or, for undeclared majors, in the Office of Advising Services).

3. **Highest Level Priority Registration.** Students will not have their academic progress or graduation impaired by a lack of space in essential courses.

The Degree Guarantee Program is a partnership. Students share in the responsibility for timely graduation. To obtain a degree in four years, students must fulfill the following conditions:

1. **Advisers.** Students must meet with their designated Degree Guarantee Program adviser every semester beginning in the first semester of their freshman year for the purpose of:

   a. reaching agreement on/or updating their Four-Year Program of Study,

   b. considering available course offerings in relation to pertinent graduation requirements, and

   c. confirming academic progress toward timely graduation.

2. **Four-Year Program of Study.** The program is a plan designed in consultation with a designated Degree Guarantee Program adviser to ensure completion of all