

**COMMUNITY SERVICE
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COMMUNITY SERVICE PROBATION POLICY**

Community service is a valuable opportunity for students to become involved in various aspects of community and church life. Students gain skills, empathy, and insights beyond what any school can provide. Community service may also be helpful in the college application process.

One hundred hours of community service is an established Notre Dame graduation requirement. Transfers are required to have fewer hours based upon their entrance year (for example a sophomore transfer is responsible for 85 hours excluding the 15 hours that would have been additionally required if entered as a freshman).

Hours to be earned each year by grade level:

Freshmen	15 hours
Sophomores	20 hours
Juniors	30 hours
Seniors	35 hours

IMPORTANT AND NEW: Community Service Probation Policy: 2009-10 freshmen, sophomores, juniors, and seniors need to be on track at the end of the first quarter or they will be placed on this probation. It has the same consequences as academic probation—no participation in athletics, ASB, and, in most cases, drama productions. Continuance of this probation is not tied to the grading periods. It is immediately lifted once the student is on track but will remain in effect regardless of the grading periods if the hours are not submitted and approved.

If a student remains on community service probation for three consecutive quarters, then the ability to graduate from Notre Dame will be reviewed and seriously considered. The student may be asked to be withdrawn. By working together, this stage should never be reached. Summer can be a good time to earn hours.

The following hours need to be earned by the end of first quarter for community service probation to not go into effect. These hours include what needs to be earned to be on track.

- ✓ Freshmen 4 hours by the end of first quarter
- ✓ Sophomores 20 hours to this point by the end of first quarter
- ✓ Juniors 43 hours to this point by the end of first quarter
- ✓ Seniors 80 hours to this point by the end of first quarter with a May 10, 2010 completion date for the 100 hours.