



## **Finish in 4: Student Participation Agreement**

The Finish in 4 Program ensures that students who agree to and follow the program's provisions will graduate with their bachelor's degree from Illinois College in four years. If Illinois College does not fulfill its part of the agreement, then the cost of the remaining required courses at Illinois College (up to a full-time semester of credits) will be paid by the College. I understand that I am responsible for following all of the prescribed actions set forth herein to ensure that I remain eligible for the Finish in 4 Program.



### **I voluntarily choose to participate in this program by:**

- :: Signing and submitting this form prior to the first day of classes.
- :: Providing a current parent/guardian email address (if applicable) and authorizing the College to communicate with that parent/guardian about my academic progress; thereby specifically waiving any rights to privacy protection under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) with regard to information disclosed to the identified parent/guardian.
- :: Attending the Finish in 4 Workshop during Welcome Week.
- :: Participating in annual Student Success Workshops.

### **I understand I must make satisfactory progress toward graduation by:**

- :: Maintaining continuous full-time enrollment for eight consecutive semesters directly after graduating from high school.
- :: Successfully completing an average of 15 credit hours each semester and earning a C or better in every course.
- :: Earning at least junior standing of 57 credit hours at the end of four semesters and senior standing of 88 credit hours by the end of the sixth semester.
- :: Attending an average of 10 convocations during my first three academic years so that I complete all 30 convocations by reaching senior standing of 88 credit hours.
- :: Declaring a major prior to completing 45 credit hours and no later than the start of the fourth semester.
- :: Maintaining a fluid four-year Graduation Plan. Preferred classes may not be available during the desired semester; however, the required course or an appropriate substitution will be made available within the four years of continuous enrollment.
- :: Accepting a seat in any open course section that fits in my academic course schedule and satisfies a requirement for my Graduation Plan.
- :: Notifying the Registrar, in writing, prior to the end of registration in any given semester if it appears that graduation may be delayed by the lack of availability of any course in the upcoming semester.

**I will comply with all Illinois College policies, procedures and deadlines by:**

- :: Developing a fluid Graduation Plan and reviewing it with my academic advisor at least once per semester.
- :: Maintaining satisfactory academic progress as outlined in the Illinois College Catalog.
- :: Meeting all the requirements for successful completion of the BLUEprint and declared major(s) as stated in the Illinois College Catalog.
- :: Applying for graduation no later than the posted deadline.
- :: Clearing all holds that will prohibit registration 24 hours prior to the opening of my registration period.
- :: Registering during my assigned class' registration period but not later than the start of the next class registration period. I agree that if I am unable to register for my first choice of courses, I will make appropriate alternate plans with the approval of my academic advisor.

I understand that the Finish in 4 Program applies to a single major, though adding additional majors and minors may be achievable with early planning. Adding additional majors and minors at any time or changing a declared major after the fourth semester requires special written permission from the Registrar.

I also understand that a preferred class may not be available during a particular semester. If this occurs, I understand that the required course or an appropriate substitution will be made available to me within my four years of continuous enrollment.

I understand that if I enroll in a Teacher Preparation Program or Education major, due to the variability of state mandates, the Finish in 4 program is extended to nine semesters of continuous enrollment so that the College may cover costs for courses in the 10th rather than the ninth semester. My participation will be confirmed in writing with the Teacher Preparation Coordinator upon declaration of the major.

I understand that I cannot participate in one of Illinois College's joint programs (such as the 3:2 engineering program) and still qualify for the Finish in 4 program.

Finally, I understand that if I adhere to all of the above stipulations and conditions and do not successfully complete the graduation requirements for my declared major in eight consecutive semesters, the College will pay the cost of any additional, required Illinois College course(s) up to full-time tuition for one semester toward the completion of my undergraduate degree requirements to be taken at Illinois College. However, if I fail to meet one or more of the stipulations and conditions set forth herein, I understand this agreement is null and void with no expectation of prior notification to me. In that event, I am and will be responsible for any additional costs required to finish my undergraduate degree at Illinois College.

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Student ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature (if student is under the age of 18): \_\_\_\_\_