Top 10 Reasons Baccalaureate Degree Candidates Do Not Graduate
(Based on Graduate Applications during the 2016-2017 Academic Year)

1. Missing a required course in the Major:
   • All student must complete all required courses in the major.
   • You should review Degree Works and meet with your advisor every semester.

2. Less than 120 credit hours completed:
   • 120 credit hours is the minimum required to earn your degree.
   • Some majors require more hours.

3. I, N or X grades on Academic Record:
   • All coursework must be completed no later than the date of graduation.
   • I = Incomplete- Course must be completed by the 10th week of the following spring or fall semester or the grade will convert to an “E”. Review the contract you signed with your instructor.
   • N= Grade Delayed- Contact your Instructor.
   • X= Grade NOT Submitted- Contact your Instructor.

4. Lacking IF “core” requirement:
   • Appropriate core courses for IF14, IF, GE2K & GEC are listed in the college catalog (http://registrar.buffalostate.edu/gen-eds)

5. Lacking Upper Division requirement:
   • Students must complete a minimum of 33 credit hours of upper division coursework (300 and 400 level courses and 200 level foreign language courses).

6. Major GPA is below 2.0:
   • Courses in the major must average 2.0 or higher.

7. Lacking a required course in the Minor:
   • A minimum of 18-20 credit hours is required depending on the minor.

8. Foreign Language requirement has not been satisfied (IF 14 Students- Global Engagement):
   • For IF- All students must complete a 102 course or two years (units) of one foreign language in high school.
   • Transfer students with high school foreign language should have their high school transcript sent to the Admissions Office, ATTN: Foreign Language Review.

9. Lacking Writing Intensive course:
   • To fulfill the writing intensive requirement, the section of the course you register for must have a “W” designation as part of the course number (Ex. ENG 300W).

10. Buffalo State overall GPA is below 2.0
    • Overall GPA must be 2.0 or higher to be approved for your degree.