

Academic Standing Policy

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Purpose:

This policy is to describe the process and procedure for determining the academic standing of undergraduate students at the end of each semester.

Policy:

Undergraduate students must maintain a minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.00 to be in good academic standing.

Students who fall below a cumulative grade point average of 2.00 will be placed on academic probation. Students with an approved AIP (Academic Improvement Plan) who are fulfilling their semester goals will be eligible to continue to register. Students are removed from probation once their cumulative GPA is 2.00 or higher.

Students not meeting the goals under the AIP are subject to a one-semester suspension and risk the loss of subsequent financial aid. If a student does not meet the AIP goals, the student can appeal for a revised AIP that must be endorsed by the student's advisor and department chair of the student's major, with final approval by the Office of Academic Affairs. Only one such appeal is permitted during a student's time of programmatic study. If the appeal is not approved, the student will be suspended for one semester and must have an AIP for subsequent readmission.

Procedure:

1. An Academic Improvement Plan (AIP) will be initiated through the Office of Academic Affairs when a student's cumulative GPA is less than 2.00 at the end of a fall or spring academic semester. The AIP may be up to 3 regular semesters in length.
2. The proposed AIP will be developed by the student's advisor and/or department chair of the student's major for review and recommendations.

3. The AIP with the recommendation from the department chair will be forwarded to the Office of Academic Affairs no later than 14 days prior to the beginning of the spring semester or 45 days prior to the beginning of the fall semester.
4. The Office of Academic Affairs shall approve any recommended changes to the AIP and inform the student of the actions being taken. Actions on all AIPs will be conveyed to the respective student advisor, department chair, and dean.