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## Academic Policy: Undergraduate Studies ACADEMIC STANDARDS, PROBATION, and DISMISSAL

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### Academic Standards

Each student's academic record will be reviewed at the end of each semester by the Registrar to determine the academic standing of the student. The academic standing of the student will be based on the cumulative grade point average (GPA) of the student and on the total number of credits for which the student has enrolled prior to the review. The review credit total also includes transfer credits, advanced standing credits, and credits for repeated courses. It does not include credits for audited courses.

Students with a cumulative GPA of 2.00 or higher are in satisfactory academic standing. Students with less than satisfactory academic standing are subject to warning, probation or dismissal.

The following procedures apply to all students who do not meet the required minimum cumulative GPA as specified:

Review Credits	Cumulative GPA	Action
0.5-16.0	Below 2.00	Warning Letter
16.5-32.0	1.75-1.99	Warning Letter
16.5-32.0	Below 1.75	Probation
32.5 or more	Below 2.00	Probation
32.5 or more	Below 2.00 while on Probation	Dismissed

### Academic Probation

When subject to academic probation, the full-time student will be placed on probation for one semester; the part-time student will be on probation for a maximum of 12 credit hours. Such students are not allowed to register for more than four (4) courses or 13 credits, whichever is less, in any term, session, or semester unless they have the written permission of the adviser, chair, head of Academic Advisement or appropriate designee.

A student on probation will return to satisfactory academic standing at the end of the semester in which he/she earns a 2.00 cumulative grade point average.

## **Academic Dismissal**

The student on academic dismissal for the first time will not be able to register for or attend classes at the University for one (1) semester. The student on academic dismissal for the second time will not be able to register for or attend classes for two (2) semesters. The third time a student is dismissed from the University, the student will be dismissed for at least three (3) years and after that time only special cases will be considered by the Academic Standards Committee.

Students who have been dismissed may not register for courses offered during winter session, summer sessions, or for courses offered by the University on the web, or at off-campus locations. Dismissed students who wish to re-enter the University must apply for readmission through the Admissions Office.

A student will not be dismissed for academic reasons in any semester that he/she has:

1. Been in good academic standing (i.e., not on probation,) or
2. Earned a 2.00 or higher semester GPA.

Students subject to dismissal who have earned a 2.00 or higher semester GPA will be continued on academic probation until their cumulative GPA is at least 2.00.

## **Appeals**

Students who have been dismissed and believe that specific, unusual, circumstances affected their academic performance, may request a review by writing a letter of appeal to the Academic Standards Committee in care of the Registrar's Office and may request a personal interview before the committee.

For the appeal to be considered before the next semester, it must be received by the committee by the date specified in the notice of dismissal.