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## **Academic Standards**

The university expects all students, regardless of whether they are enrolled part-time or full-time, to meet certain academic standards. Students must assume personal responsibility for their own intellectual growth and personal development and should take advantage of the opportunities for academic support that the university provides.

An undergraduate student will be allowed to continue in the university as long as their cumulative grade point average (GPA) is at least 2.00. This is the minimum required cumulative GPA at the university for all students regardless of class standing or how many hours the student has attempted. A higher minimum GPA is sometimes specified by specific programs within the

## ACADEMIC PROBATION

The explanations in this box detail the policy/flow for probation to suspension, but it doesn't give instructions for clearing the academic holds. Also, in terms of practical guidance, the passive voice makes it confusing about who does what.

Could we replace this with more practical instructions on what to do if you are at each level of academic hold? We could use the same language that is in the letter sent to students from Amy Chasteen when they first get the P1, P2, or SU hold put on them.

## ACADEMIC PROBATION CONTINUED

After the first semester that a student does not attain a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.00, they are placed on academic probation at the end of the term. The student is required to complete the Academic Success Plan program, a short non-credit course in Canvas. After successful completion of the Canvas course (which typically takes 1-2 hours) and advisement by their academic advisor, the student may register for the next term.

While on academic probation, if a student's cumulative GPA is lower than 2.0 at the end of the term, they will be placed on academic probation continued. They require advisement and approval by their director to enroll in a subsequent term. The student stays on academic probation continued as long as they earn a term GPA of at least a 2.00.

## ACADEMIC SUSPENSION

While on academic probation continued, if a student does not attain a term GPA of at least 2.00 at the end of term, they will be placed on suspension. Suspension from the university must be for at least one fall or In place of the narrative explanation of the academic standing policy given above, perhaps a flowchart would be clearer. There's one available on the A.S.P. Canvas modules. Can get a copy of it from Julie Reid.

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

For Advisors

Visit the Registrar's **Academic Standing FAQ** for answers to the most commonly asked questions about probation, probation continued, and suspension.

This PDF with the official policy is confusing because we've tweak the procedure for clearing the probation hold so that the "AIP" is done online by the student on their own via the Canvas "Academic Success Plan" course. Also, directors have designated the Provost Office to act as a director designee to remove the probation hold once the student completes the ASP module with 70% or more on the quizzes. I would suggest that we add a notation/addendum to explain the above changes.

- Academic Probation and Suspension Policy \*
- Academic Improvement Plan (AIP)
- Petition for Clearance of Academic Hold (Probation Continued and Suspension)

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