

Satisfactory Academic Progress

Purpose:

The purpose of this policy is to define the College's expectations regarding satisfactory academic progress for students. Further, it establishes procedures to administer the policy.

Policy:

Satisfactory academic progress is defined by the College as maintaining a *cumulative* GPA of at least 2.0. (Note: Federally-sponsored financial aid programs also define satisfactory academic progress in terms of a minimum number of credits completed each semester. Consult the Financial Aid Office if there is any doubt.)

1. Academic Warning. A student whose semester GPA is less than 2.0, but *cumulative* GPA is 2.0 or higher will be placed on academic warning and will be notified and is encouraged to seek academic counseling.
2. Academic Probation. A student whose cumulative GPA is less than 2.0 will be placed on academic probation.
3. Continued Academic Probation. Following a semester on academic probation, a student will be placed on continued academic probation if the GPA for the semester just completed was 2.0 or higher, but the cumulative GPA remains less than 2.0.
4. Academic Dismissal. A student whose semester and cumulative GPA is below 2.0 at the end of a semester of academic probation or continued academic probation will be dismissed from the College. He/she may appeal the academic dismissal in writing to the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs within ten (10) working days of receiving the notification of academic dismissal.
5. Readmission. A student, who has been dismissed from the College for academic reasons and who did not appeal or whose appeal was not granted, may apply for readmission one year after the date of academic dismissal.
6. Other Provisions. Upon finding that a student is suffering from a physical or mental condition detrimental to the student and HawCC, the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs will, on professional advice, recommend proper action to the Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs or the Chancellor. The Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs or the Chancellor may then request that the student be withdrawn officially, without prejudice or academic penalty.

¹ Supersedes HAW 7.520, June 1, 2009; July 25, 2006; and October 5, 1995
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