Academic Performance Standard

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Old Academic Standard

- **Warning**
  - 3 grades < C

- **Probation**
  - Cumulative GPA < 2.0

- **Dismissal**
  - 15 or greater grade point deficits below a C average (2.0)
  - 4 grades < C
Guiding Principles

- Early identification of students encountering academic challenge is in best interest of student and faculty
- Relearn/remediate content in close proximity to when it was originally taught
  - Able to rely on this information for following courses
New Academic Standard

- **Warning**
  - Semester GPA below 2.0 in required courses
  - Earning less than a C in an individual required course

- **Follow Up**
  - Self-directed action plan to faculty advisor
  - Meeting with faculty advisor to discuss
New Academic Standard

- **Probation**
  - Earning a grade of E
  - 2 or more grades of D+, D, or D- in required courses
  - Cumulative GPA below 2.0 in required courses

- **Follow Up**
  - Cannot hold office in student organization
  - Self-directed action plan to faculty advisor
  - Meeting with faculty advisor to discuss
  - Meeting with Office of Student Affairs
How to Clear Probation

- **Earning a grade of E**
  - Earning a C- or better in repeated course
  - Completing 2 subsequent FT semesters with no grades < C-

- **2 or more grades of D+, D, or D- in required courses**
  - Completing 2 subsequent FT semesters with no grades < C-

- **Cumulative GPA below 2.0 in required courses**
  - Increasing cumulative GPA to at least 2.0 within 2 FT semesters
New Academic Standard

- Dismissal
  - Two semesters on academic probation
  - Earning 2 grades of E in same course
  - Receiving a third grade of E in any combination of courses
  - First semester in which cumulative GPA is ≥ 15 grade point deficits below a 2.0
  - 7 years after beginning the program
Remediation

- No more than two courses may be remediated in a summer term
- Course remediation process is dependent upon
  - Original course
  - Type of pedagogy
  - Number of assessment
- Summer registration for course
- Pass/Fail; minimum of 70% average is required or student will need to repeat the course in the following year in its original format
Course Failure

- Student receiving an E in a course will be required to retake the course at the next full term offering.
Petitions

Similar to the old standard, if a student is dismissed from the program, they have the right to submit a petition for readmission.

The Academic and Professional Standards Committee will act on all petitions concerning students governed by this academic standard.
FAQ

Does the Academic Performance Standard apply to all courses?

The Academic Performance Standard applies only to required courses. The GPA that is considered is based on required courses only; elective courses are excluded from the GPA calculation. Similarly, elective courses will not be remediated if a student earns a grade lower than C-.
FAQ

O What is a “self-directed academic action plan”?
  O A self-directed action plan is a reflection by the student on what factors, actions, and behaviors led to their poor academic performance and what strategies does the student plan to implement to improve their academic performance.
  O The action plan will serve as a basis for discussion with the faculty advisor and/or the Office of Student Affairs where they will receive feedback on their plan and additional suggestions for academic success.
  O A guide for a self-directed action plan will be developed for students.
FAQ

If a student receives a D+, D, or D- in a course and completes course remediation, is the original D grade replaced with what the student earned in remediation?

When a student completes remediation of a course in which they earned a D, the original grade will not be changed. The grade they earned in remediation will be recorded as a Pass (≥ 70%) or Fail grade.
FAQ

If I’m currently a 2PD and I earned a D during my 1PD and a D this past fall semester, will I need to remediate both courses?

No, you will only need to remediate the course from fall 2016 in which you earned a D. In essence, the D you earned in the 1PD year will be “waived” as a result of transitioning from the old standard to the new standard.