Academic Drop and Probation Policy

Academic Probation: Imposed on students whose cumulative GPA falls below 2.000. The student on academic probation whose semester GPA is 2.000 or better, but whose cumulative GPA remains below 2.000, is permitted to continue on academic probation.

Cleared Probation: Achieved when cumulative GPA increases to 2.000 or above.

Dropped for One Semester: Imposed on any student on academic probation who fails to earn a semester GPA of 2.000.

Final Probation: Applies to a student who is permitted to enroll after any drop action. The student on final probation whose semester GPA is 2.000 or better, but whose cumulative GPA remains below 2.000, is permitted to continue on final academic probation.

Dropped for Two Years: Imposed on any student on final probation who fails to achieve a semester and cumulative GPA of 2.000 or better.

1. A student with a cumulative GPA (grade point average) of 2.0 or higher is in good academic standing.

2. A student whose cumulative GPA falls below 2.0 is placed on academic probation. A student on academic probation whose cumulative GPA remains below 2.0 but whose semester GPA is 2.0 or above remains on academic probation. A student on academic probation earning a semester GPA below 2.0, is dropped for one semester. A student on academic probation clears probation and returns to good academic standing when a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or better is achieved.

3. A dropped student may appeal to be reinstated or readmitted as laid out below. A reinstated or readmitted student is placed on final probation.

a. A student may appeal to be reinstated immediately after a drop action. They must appeal to the dean or a designee of the school, college, or academic unit to which they belonged when the drop action was earned.

b. A student may apply for readmission after sitting out the required drop period. After their drop period has elapsed, they re-enter the program from which they were dropped.

c. A student who chooses to change their program after sitting out their drop period may only do so with the permission of the dean or a designee of their new program.

d. A student who chooses to change from a bachelor's degree program to an associate degree program after sitting out their drop period can do so without permission.

e. A student who has been dropped from a bachelor's program may appeal to the administrative unit that is in charge of associate's degrees for immediate reinstatement to the associate program. They do not need permission from the school, college, or academic unit to which they belonged when the drop action was earned.

4. A student on final probation who fails to achieve a semester GPA of 2.0 or better is dropped for two years. A student on final probation whose cumulative GPA remains below 2.0 but whose semester GPA is 2.0 or above remains on final probation. A student on final probation clears final probation and returns to good academic standing when a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or better is achieved.

Rationale:

Recommendation of the Academic Policy Committee to Revise the Academic Drop and Probation Policy

1817R2 was approved by Faculty Senate on 04/20/2023. The change was made so that effective Fall 2024, students would only earn an academic drop action following a full academic term (ex. Fall or Spring). Students would not be dropped after a non-standard academic term (ex. Summer or WinteriM).

After this change passed through governance, we learned that there was a negative impact to students because of this change and misalignment with some financial aid processes/policies. After conversation with financial aid, the Registrar's Office, and advising leadership in the Schools/Colleges, it was determined that we need to repeal the most recent changes to the policy. We would like to suggest that these revisions be removed, and we revert to the previous policy (1817R1) with a new set of changes:

- 1. Adding the definitions of academic action policy as printed in the catalog.
- 2. Minor language edits in 3 a-d to be more student friendly
- 3. Adding 3 e