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## Governors State University POLICY ON ACADEMIC STANDING

- I. Purpose: This policy defines the various classifications of academic standing for students and related information.
- II. At Governors State University there are (4) categories of academic standing for students:
  - A. Good Standing
  - B. Academic Probation
  - C. Academic Probation Extended
  - D. Academic Suspension
- III. Good Standing
  - A. Undergraduate students are in Good Standing when they maintain a minimum cumulative Grade Point Average of 2.0 (on a 4.0 scale).
  - B. Graduate students are in Good Standing when they maintain a minimum cumulative Grade Point Average of 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale).
- IV. Students are no longer in Good Standing when they fail to meet the minimum cumulative grade point average. All status changes take effect the semester immediately following the semester in which the student fails to meet the established minimum.
  - A. The following applies to Undergraduate students:
    - 1. Undergraduate students performing below a 2.0 cumulative GPA but at a 1.0 cumulative GPA or higher are placed on Academic Probation.
    - 2. Undergraduate students performing below a 1.0 cumulative GPA are placed on Academic Probation Extended.
    - 3. Non-degree students failing to meet the minimum cumulative grade point average for the first time are placed on Academic Probation Extended.
  - B. The following applies to Graduate students:
    - 1. Graduate students performing below a 3.0 cumulative GPA but at a 2.0 cumulative GPA or higher are placed on Academic Probation.
    - 2. Graduate students performing below a 2.0 cumulative GPA are placed on Academic Probation Extended.

- 3. Non-degree students failing to meet the minimum cumulative grade point average for the first time are placed on Academic Probation Extended.
- V. After enrolling for courses while on Academic Probation, if the student fails to achieve the minimum cumulative GPA, the student will be placed on Academic Probation Extended.
- VI. Academic Probation Extended means that as long as a student obtains the minimum semester grade point average each semester and is making satisfactory progress towards degree completion, the student will not be suspended. The first semester a student is on Academic Probation Extended they are required to complete a learning contract with the Academic Resource Center. The contract and a report of the work done will be shared with the student's Academic Advisor to help ensure positive academic progress.
- VII. After enrolling for courses while on Academic Probation Extended, if the student fails to achieve the minimum semester GPA, the student will be placed on Suspension for the next semester. Students may request readmission after being suspended by petitioning the Committee on Readmissions and Special Admissions (see policy 19U or 19G for additional information).
- VIII. Students must be in good academic standing to graduate. Some programs may have specific standards for academic performance that exceed the criteria in this policy.