

ACADEMIC PROBATION AND MANDATORY LEAVE OF ABSENCE FROM THE COLLEGE

The academic policies committee reviews each student's academic progress. Sophomores, juniors and seniors are expected to maintain a minimum cumulative G.P.A. and a semester G.P.A. of 2.0. Freshmen are expected to earn a semester G.P.A. of at least 1.8. A student's academic standing is determined by the cumulative grade point average (G.P.A.). Students failing to meet these G.P.A. requirements receive a letter of warning from the vice president for academic affairs or dean, as appropriate and are placed on academic probation for one semester. After two consecutive semesters on probation, a student may be required to take a leave of absence or may be dismissed. Probation continues beyond two semesters only under extraordinary circumstances.

Freshmen with a cumulative G.P.A. below 1.8 are placed on academic probation for one semester and limited to 13 credit hours in the following semester. After two consecutive semesters with a cumulative G.P.A. below 1.8, a freshman is subject to dismissal from the college.

Students on academic probation are limited to a maximum of 13 credit hours. Freshmen and sophomores placed on probation by the Academic Policies Committee will be required to meet with a designated contact person in the Learning Center to develop an academic plan constructed to improve their cumulative G.P.A. Juniors and seniors will be subject to policies developed by their department. Failure to make these contacts may result in dismissal or mandatory leave of absence following review by the academic policies committee. No student who has been placed on a mandatory leave of absence will be permitted to take courses on a non-matriculated basis during the term of the leave.

All students on probation are required to meet with their primary academic advisor several times throughout the semester(s) which they are on probation.

Certain academic programs have more restrictive requirements; please refer to specific degree program description.