3.28. Standards of Academic Progress

Students are required to achieve a minimum cumulative grade point average which becomes progressively higher according to the number of total credit hours attempted.

Total	Probation	Suspension
	(1)	(2)
Hours	GPA	GPA
Attempted	Below	Below
1 - 18	1.75	1.00 or below
18.5 - 30	1.75	1.50
30.5 - 39.5	1.90	1.75
40 - 59.5	2.00	1.90
60 +		2.00

Probation:

Students who achieve a cumulative grade point average (see above) which places them in the Probation category will be required to adhere to the conditions set by the Academic Standards Committee for continued enrollment and to the conditions set by the student's Academic Plan including the Advocate Contract. While formal checkpoints for reviewing a student's progress are included in his/her notification letter of the conditions for continued enrollment from the Academic Standards Committee, students not adhering to the requirements may be suspended at any time.

Students on probation will be required to develop an academic plan with assistance of a designated advocate. The plan may include services from, but not limited to, the Academic Success Center, Counseling Center or the Center for Accommodative Services and may also stipulate other restrictions.

Suspension:

Students placing below the Suspension minimum grade point average (see above) will be suspended from the College. All students under suspension may appeal their suspended status.

Suspension Appeals:

A student wishing to appeal his/her suspension must submit a letter to the Academic Standards Committee. The letter should detail the specific reasons and/or circumstances that warrant the appeal (a statement simply requesting reinstatement is insufficient). Letters and documents supporting the student's appeal are welcome.

The Academic Standards Committee reviews the entire record and has the authority to approve the appeal, to approve the appeal with conditions, to deny the appeal and/or to impose conditions for re-admission. Reinstatement conditions set by the Academic Standards Committee may include target grade point averages, or other conditions that otherwise supersede general guidelines for academic standards. While formal checkpoints for reviewing a student's progress are included in his/her notification letter of the conditions for continued enrollment from the Academic Standards Committee, students not adhering to the requirements may be suspended at any time.

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