

Academic Standing

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Scope of Policy & Rationale

Undergraduate baccalaureate and associate degree-seeking students are subject to the academic standing rules addressed in this policy.¹ (Policy # 02.10.11)

Definitions

1. **Academic Term** - A fall, spring, summer I or summer II semester in which a student registers for one or more courses.
2. **Academic Good Standing** - A student is in Academic Good Standing if enrolled in a degree-seeking program and not in the first term of Academic Recovery.
3. **Academic Warning** - A student is on Academic Warning status when:
 - a. the student's most recent semester grade point average is less than 2.0 **or**
 - b. the student's cumulative grade point average is less than 2.0 prior to accruing 30 cumulative hours (or 20 cumulative hours for an associate degree program) or completing a 4th Academic Term.
4. **Academic Probation** - A student is on Academic Probation when the student's cumulative grade point average is below 2.0 after accruing 30 or more cumulative hours (or 20 or more cumulative hours for an associate degree program) or completing a 4th Academic Term. First-year and transfer students in the first matriculated semester are not subject to Academic Probation.
5. **Academic Dismissal** - The status of Academic Dismissal is applied to a student with:
 - a. more than 30 credit hours (or more than 20 credit hours for an associate degree program) or after completion of the 4th Academic Term; and
 - b. the status of Academic Probation in the most recent completed semester; and
 - c. a cumulative GPA equal to or below the Dismissal GPA (See Appendix 1: Dismissal GPA by Total Institutional GPA Hours + Total Transfer Earned Hours).
6. **Academic Recovery** - A student on Academic Dismissal status can apply to the applicable advising office for the status of Academic Recovery. The status of Academic Recovery is available, upon approved application, provided that the student:
 - a. is on Academic Dismissal status for the first time; and
 - b. has a cumulative GPA equal to or below the Dismissal GPA (See Appendix 1: Dismissal GPA by Total Institutional GPA Hours + Total Transfer Earned Hours); and
 - c. has a cumulative GPA that can be raised above the Dismissal GPA (See Appendix 1) within two calendar years or 150 total attempted credit hours, whichever comes first.
7. **Institutional GPA Hours** - include credit hours in all courses graded "A" through "F". Credit hours for repeated courses are calculated according to the policy on Repeating a Course (Undergraduate and Graduate) (Policy # 02.10.12).

Policy Statement

The university assesses academic standing and the statuses of Academic Warning, Academic Probation, Academic Dismissal and Academic Recovery based on academic performance following each Academic Term.

A student on Academic Warning or Academic Probation or a student who is granted Academic Recovery status must meet with an advisor to discuss his/her academic standing. An advisor will help in planning a schedule of courses to assist the student in achieving above the Dismissal GPA. A student on Academic Warning will be able to self-register after this meeting; a student on Academic Probation or Academic Recovery must be registered by his/her advisor.

If a student is on Academic Dismissal status for the first time, the student has two options:

1. Apply for Reinstatement

A student on Academic Dismissal status for the first time may apply for reinstatement not less than four years from the date of last enrollment at Temple University. At the time of application, all credit hours will be evaluated. Final determination of the acceptability of such credit hours is the responsibility of the applicable academic unit.

A student may also apply for Academic Forgiveness (Policy # 02.10.17) at this time.

2. Reinstatement through Academic Recovery

A student on Academic Dismissal status for the first time may apply for Academic Recovery status through their respective advising unit. Academic Recovery would be applicable the next immediate semester or summer term unless the student is granted a Leave of Absence pursuant to university

policy. Students granted Academic Recovery status will be required to meet with advisors, complete for a grade a minimum of six credit hours, and achieve a minimum semester GPA requirement.

During the student's first semester or summer session of Academic Recovery status, the student will not be in Academic Good Standing and therefore will be ineligible for aid of any kind, including without limitation federal loans or grants, tuition remission and scholarships.

Students who successfully complete the requirements of the first semester or summer session on Academic Recovery status will:

- a.) return to Academic Good Standing
- b.) be permitted to attend classes during the next summer session or semester.

Students may only continue on Academic Recovery if they meet the Target Semester GPA. (See Appendix 2.) The student must maintain a GPA at or above the Target Semester GPA in Appendix 2 for each semester or session they are on Academic Recovery. Students on Academic Recovery must register for a minimum of six (6) credit hours per term. Course overloads are not permitted while on Academic Recovery.

Students may not remain on Academic Recovery status for more than two calendar years² following their original dismissal or 150 attempted credits, whichever comes first.

A student on Academic Recovery who achieves above the Dismissal GPA (as determined by Appendix 1) will be removed from Academic Recovery status.

Students who do not meet requirements of their Academic Recovery status during any summer session or semester will be Academically Dismissed for a second time. Upon the second Academic Dismissal a student must wait and apply for reinstatement not less than four years from the date of the first Academic Dismissal in accordance with this policy. The student will also be eligible for Academic Forgiveness (Policy # 02.10.17).

In the event a student is removed from Academic Recovery status after achieving above the Dismissal GPA, but is subsequently Academically Dismissed for a second time, the student must wait and apply for reinstatement four years from the date of the second Academic Dismissal. The student will also be eligible for Academic Forgiveness.

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Academic Standing is determined by calculating Total Earned Transfer Hours plus Total Institutional GPA Hours. For Academic Forgiveness Students calculation includes Forgiveness Institutional Earned Hours (grades A through C- preceded by an asterisk) + Total Institutional GPA Hours + Total Transfer Earned Hours. Not included in Total Institutional GPA Hours for all calculations: AU, CR, NC, HC, I, IC, IP, MG, M, NR, P, PI, R, S, W, WE, WF, WS. See your academic advisor for assistance.

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A calendar year begins the date of dismissal and is equivalent to one fall, one spring, and two sequential summer sessions.

Notes

1. Dates of official enactment and amendments

Adopted by the President on June 12, 2003.

Amended by the President on September 7, 2006. Effective immediately.

Amended by the President on September 26, 2007. Effective immediately.

Amended by the President on August 1, 2011. Effective May 16, 2011 (Summer Session I). Beginning May 10, 2012 (End of Spring Semester 2012), students will be dismissed when they fail to complete English 0701, English 0802, IH 0851, IH 0852, and Math 0701 or other equivalent versions of these courses in the requisite number of times per Policy 02.10.12, Repeating a Course.

Amended by the President on May 18, 2012. Beginning end of Spring Semester 2012 and applying retroactively to end of Fall 2011 semester, admitted transfer students in first matriculated semester and who are registered for 18 or fewer credits and whose semester grade point average is less than 2.0 will be applied the status of warning.

Amended by the President on June 1, 2015, effective immediately. Students on Academic Dismissal status at the end of the 2012 spring semester are eligible to apply for Academic Recovery status, if necessary, or return to such other academic status as permitted by university policy. (For example, a student placed on Academic Dismissal for failure to complete English 0701, but who had a cumulative GPA above 2.0 would be eligible to return to Academic Good Standing.)

Students on Academic Dismissal status for the first time at the end of the 2012 spring semester may apply for Academic Recovery status through their respective advising unit for return to the university no later than the 2016 spring semester. The two calendar year limit for the Academic Recovery status for these students will apply from the date of their first registered term.

2. History

September 7, 2006 amended the provisions regarding eligibility for institutional financial aid and university housing.

September 26, 2007 amended the requirements for academic good standing and dismissal.

August 1, 2011 amended language describing the method by which dismissal is determined and the requirements for reinstatement.

May 18, 2012 amended the requirements for academic warning and probation for first-semester transfer students.

June 2015 amended the dismissal requirements for certain courses and created Academic Recovery status.

October 2021 defined Academic Term and clarified policy application to part-time students.

Supersedes

This policy supersedes all policies and procedures related to academic warning, dismissal and reinstatement for undergraduates, and specifically "Undergraduate Policy on Academic Warning, Probation, Dismissal and Reinstatement."

3. Cross References

Policy 02.10.12, Repeating a Course (Undergraduate and Graduate)

Policy 02.10.17, Academic Forgiveness (Undergraduate)

Policy 02.10.16, Leave of Absence (Undergraduate)

Appendix 1 Dismissal GPA by Total Institutional GPA Hours + Total Transfer Earned Hours

Total Institutional GPA Hours + Total Transfer Earned Hours	Dismissal GPA (equal to or less than)
1-30	No Dismissal
31	1.51
32	1.53
33	1.55
34	1.56
35	1.58
36	1.60
37	1.61
38	1.63
39	1.64
40	1.65
41	1.67
42	1.68
43	1.69
44	1.70
45	1.71
46	1.72
47	1.73
48	1.74
49	1.75
50	1.75
51	1.76
52	1.77
53	1.78
54	1.78
55	1.79
56	1.80
57	1.80
58	1.81
59	1.82
60	1.82
61	1.83
62	1.83
63	1.84
64	1.84
65	1.85
66	1.85
67	1.86
68	1.86
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105	1.97
106	1.97
107	1.97
108	1.97
109	1.97
110	1.97
111	1.98
112	1.98
113	1.98
114	1.98
115	1.98
116	1.98
117	1.99
118	1.99
119	1.99

Appendix 2 - Target GPA Calculation

$$\frac{[(\text{Max recovery hours available} + \text{Current GPA hours}) * (\text{New Dismissal GPA} + 0.01)] - [\text{Current GPA hours} * \text{Current GPA}]}{\text{Max recovery hours available}}$$

Where:

1. Max recovery hours available is the lesser of: hours remaining to the 150 attempted hours ceiling OR 68 (which represents 4 major semesters at 17 hours per semester)
2. Current GPA hours is the cumulative GPA hours after the most recent semester completed
3. New Dismissal GPA is the projected Dismissal GPA threshold at the end of the Academic Recovery period, when the 2-year period and/or available hours to the 150 attempted credit ceiling have been exhausted
4. Current GPA is the cumulative GPA after the most recent semester completed.