Colleges and divisions: undergraduate academic standing policy.

(A) This rule applies to all university undergraduate students.

(B) The university cumulative grade point average is the grade point average calculated and used by the university to determine:

1. Academic standing;

2. Progress toward degree;

3. Academic degree and academic certificate award eligibility.

(C) Undergraduate students are subject to the university academic standing policy following the attempt of thirty or more university of Cincinnati credit hours.

(D) University academic good standing

1. The university considers an undergraduate student in university academic good standing if the student maintains a university cumulative grade point average of two and zero tenths, or greater;

2. A student whose university cumulative grade point average falls below two and zero tenths is subject to university academic probation, suspension or dismissal.

3. Each college may establish a university cumulative grade point average greater than two and zero tenths for admission to, or continuation within, its specific degree programs. A student’s continuance at the university in academic good standing, however, is contingent upon maintaining a university cumulative grade point average of two and zero tenths or greater;

4. Each college may establish policies and procedures for the probation, suspension, and dismissal from its academic degree programs for a failure to meet each program’s minimum university cumulative grade point average, or for a failure to meet other criteria established and monitored by the college. Each college
may establish policies and procedures for student reinstatement to its academic degree programs;

(5) A student may be academically suspended or dismissed from a college degree program but still be in university academic good standing;

(6) A student who is suspended or dismissed by the college from an academic degree program, but who remains in university academic good standing, may continue to enroll at the university:

(a) As a non-degree-seeking student; or

(b) If the student is accepted into a different university degree program, as a degree-seeking student.

(E) University academic probation

(1) If the student’s university cumulative grade point average drops below two and zero tenths, the university will set the student's university academic status to university academic probation.

(2) While on university academic probation, the student's continued university enrollment per term is permitted.

(3) Academic probation will continue each term until either:

(a) The student's university cumulative grade point average reaches two and zero tenths or greater, at which point the university will return the student's status to university academic good standing, or;

(b) The student earns a university term grade point average that is less than two and zero tenths.

(4) University of Cincinnati will not award an academic degree or academic certificate to a student whose academic standing is university academic probation;

(5) A student’s university academic probationary status will not expire due to extended periods of non-enrollment;
(6) The university academic probation status is recorded on the student's academic transcript.

(F) University academic suspension

(1) If a student fails to earn a university term grade point average of two and zero tenths or greater while on university academic probation, the university will set that student's university academic status to university academic suspension;

(2) The length of the university academic suspension is three consecutive full academic terms, unless mitigated by a successful student appeal to the university review body constituted for that purpose, as specified in paragraph (H) of this rule;

(3) During the university academic suspension period, the university will block a student on university academic suspension from per-term enrollment in all university classes, for all colleges and campuses. Additionally, the academically suspended student will not be permitted to enroll in university classes as a non-matriculated student;

(4) University of Cincinnati will not award an academic degree or academic certificate to a student whose university academic standing is university academic suspension;

(5) For students enrolled for future terms at the time of the university academic suspension, the university will cancel those enrollments prior to the first day of the affected terms for a one hundred percent tuition refund;

(6) Readmission to the university after completion of the required university academic suspension period is not automatic. Readmission after university academic suspension requires a successful appeal by the student to the university review body constituted for that purpose, as defined in paragraph (H) of this rule;

(7) University academic suspension is recorded on the student’s academic transcript.
University academic dismissal

(1) University academic dismissal constitutes the student’s permanent separation from the university, based upon university academic performance;

(2) A student who is readmitted to the university following university academic suspension will be reinstated on university academic probation;

(3) A student who is readmitted to the university on university academic probation following university academic suspension must earn a university term grade point average of two and zero tenths or greater each term to continue enrollment. The student will remain on university academic probation until either:

(a) The university cumulative grade point average has increased to two and zero tenths or greater; or

(b) The student fails to achieve a university term grade point average of two and zero tenths or greater.

(4) For a student on university academic probation following academic suspension who achieves a university cumulative grade point average of two and zero tenths or greater, the university will set the student's status to university academic good standing;

(5) For a student on university academic probation following university academic suspension who fails to earn a university term grade point average of two and zero tenths or greater, the university will set the student's university academic status to university academic dismissal;

(6) Once the student on university academic probation following university academic suspension reaches a university cumulative grade point average of two and zero tenths or greater, the university will academically dismiss the student at the end of any academic term wherein the student's university cumulative grade point average drops below two and zero tenths (i.e., there will not be a third probationary period);
(7) Upon university academic dismissal, the university will block a student from per-term enrollment in all university classes, for all colleges and campuses. Additionally, the academically suspended student will not be permitted to enroll in university classes as a non-matriculated student;

(8) For students enrolled for future terms at the time of the university academic dismissal, the university will cancel those enrollments prior to the first day of the affected terms for a one hundred percent tuition refund;

(9) University academic dismissal permanently revokes the student's degree-seeking, non-degree seeking, and/or certificate-seeking status, and all future-terms registration privileges, unless the university academic dismissal is mitigated by a successful student appeal to the university review body constituted for that purpose, as defined in paragraph (H) of this rule;

(10) Upon university academic dismissal, the student is ineligible for readmission to the university, unless the academic dismissal is mitigated by a successful student appeal to the university review body constituted for that purpose, as specified in paragraph (H) of this rule;

(11) University of Cincinnati will not award an academic degree or academic certificate to a student whose university academic standing is university academic dismissal;

(12) A student who successfully appeals the university academic dismissal will be reinstated on university academic probation;

(13) A student who is readmitted to the university on academic probation following academic dismissal must earn a university term grade point average of two and zero tenths or greater each term to continue enrollment. The student will remain on university academic probation until either:

(a) The university cumulative grade point average has increased to two and zero tenths or greater; or
(b) The student fails to achieve a university term grade point average of two and zero tenths or greater.

(14) For a student on university academic probation following university academic dismissal who achieves a university cumulative grade point average of two and zero tenths or greater, the university will set the student's academic status to university academic good standing;

(15) For a student on university academic probation following university academic dismissal who fails to earn a university term grade point average of two and zero tenths or greater, the university will set the student's status to university academic dismissal;

(16) Once the student on university academic probation following university academic dismissal reaches a university cumulative grade point average of two and zero tenths or greater, the university will academically dismiss the student at the end of any academic term wherein the student's university cumulative grade point average drops below two and zero tenths;

(17) A student who is readmitted to the university following university dismissal may apply for academic fresh start under the provisions of that policy.

(18) University academic dismissal is recorded on the student’s academic transcript.

(H) University suspension, dismissal, and readmissions appeals committee

(1) The university suspension, dismissal, and readmissions appeals committee will review student appeals for the following:

(a) Readmission to the university following the completion of the full three-term university academic suspension;

(b) Readmission to the university prior to the completion of the full three-term university academic suspension;
(c) Mitigation of the permanent university academic dismissal and readmission to the university.

(2) The university suspension, dismissal, and readmissions appeals committee will be convened by, and report to, the senior vice president for academic affairs and provost, who will establish an appropriate committee structure, membership composition and length of service, and operational guidelines;

(3) The university suspension, dismissal, and readmissions appeals committee is empowered to authorize the following actions:

(a) Immediate reinstatement to university academic probation status, which cancels the university suspension and reinstates the student's university registration privileges;

(b) Early reinstatement to university academic probation status following either one or two terms of the student's non-enrollment due to academic suspension, which mitigates the university suspension and reinstates the student's university registration privileges following the reduced university suspension period;

(c) Readmission to the university following the completion of the full university suspension, with university academic probation status applied, which ends the university suspension and reinstates the student's university registration privileges with the next academic term;

(d) Mitigation of the university academic dismissal, with university academic probation status applied, which reinstates the student's university registration privileges with the next academic term.

(4) As preconditions for immediate or early reinstatement from university academic suspension, readmission following university suspension, or reinstatement following university academic dismissal, the university suspension, dismissal, and readmissions appeals committee is empowered to establish the following criteria:
(a) University college endorsement requirements, whereby a university college accepts a student into an academic program offered by that college and provides the university suspension, dismissal, and readmissions appeals committee with an academic success plan for that student;

(2) University specific-course enrollment and/or course performance requirements;

(3) Per-term enrollment limitations; and/or

(4) Other requirements as determined appropriate.

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