

Minimum Academic Standard: Grade Point Average (GPA) of 1.67 for a major term/semester in which the GPA system is used. In programs where the GPA system is not used, a grade of “Satisfactory” is considered the minimum academic standard.

Reduced Course Load: Restriction in the number of courses a student on AP

Reduced course load/Alternate program of study: Once placed on academic probation, students will be restricted from further registration until they have seen a Counselor or Academic Advisor (or Regional Director or their designate) to develop an **educational plan** designed to support their academic efforts and maximize their chance for academic success. Such a plan will include either a **reduced course load** (no more than 9 credit hours) in the same program (where the program permits) or a shift to an alternate program (maximum of 9 credits) of study and may also include plans to address academic or study skill deficiencies, personal issues, and/or mental health concerns that are impacting learning.

Programs mandating full-time registration: In cases where the alternate program of study mandates full-time registration (e.g. Welding), there will be no reduction in course load.

Once the **educational plan** has been jointly developed by the student and the Counselor or Academic Advisor (or Regional Director or their designate), the student will receive a Program Approval Form signed by the Counselor or Academic Advisor (or Regional Director or their designate) that will permit registration.

Subsequent semester: All students who are on AP will remain on academic probation in their subsequent semester regardless of whether they are taking a reduced course load in the same area of study or have moved to an alternate program of study.

Satisfactory Grades: If a student achieves a GPA of 1.67 or higher with a minimum of 3 courses with a minimum of 9 credit hours (or a Satisfactory grade in a non-GPA program) in their subsequent major term/semester they will be considered to be in good academic standing and no longer on AP. Their academic file will be updated by the Registrar's Office and restrictions on further registration will be removed by a Counselor, Academic Advisor, or Regional Director or their designate.

Unsatisfactory Grades: If a student who is on AP fails to achieve the minimum academic standard in their subsequent major term/semester, they will be **required to withdraw for academic reasons** and will be prevented from registering for courses for a minimum period of one major term/semester. These students will be notified in writing of the requirement to withdraw by the Registrar's Office.

Returning after a requirement to withdraw: Students who are required to withdraw for academic reasons who return after their absence will remain on AP and will be required to take a reduced course load (maximum of 9 credit hours) if returning to a University Transfer program (including Business, Nursing, etc.), but may register for a full course load if their alternate program requires it.

Satisfactory Grades: If they achieve a GPA of 1.67 or higher with a minimum of 3 courses with a minimum of 9 credit hours (or a grade of Satisfactory in a non-GPA program) they will be deemed to be in good academic standing once again and course load restrictions will be lifted.

Unsatisfactory Grades: If a student who returns after a required withdrawal for academic reasons does not achieve the minimum academic standard in the subsequent major term/semester, they will be required to withdraw once again for at least one major term/semester.

Legislative and Collective Agreement References

None.

Links to Other Related Policies, Documents and Websites

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