

Academic Standards of Progress

The following Standards of Progress shall apply to all students unless the program in which the student is enrolled has higher standards of progress due to external licensure, certification, and/or accreditation requirements.

A student must maintain the following cumulative grade point average (GPA) dependent upon the number of hours attempted at the College in order to have clear academic status:

Hours Attempted GPA

12-21	1.50
22-32	1.75
33 or more	2.00

Transfer students who are admitted on Academic Probation retain that status and the WSCC academic standards of progress apply to them.

Application of Standards of Progress

The following applications of Standards of Progress apply:

1. When the cumulative GPA is at or above the GPA required for the total number of credit hours attempted at the College, the student's status is clear.
2. When a student's cumulative GPA is below the GPA required for the number of credit hours attempted at the College, the student is placed on Academic Probation.
3. When the cumulative GPA of a student who is on Academic Probation remains below the GPA required for the total number of credit hours attempted at the College but the semester GPA is 2.0 or above, the student remains on Academic Probation.
4. When the cumulative GPA of a student who is on Academic Probation remains below the GPA required for the total number of credit hours attempted at the College and the semester GPA is below 2.0, the student is suspended for one semester. The transcript will read Suspended One Semester.
5. The student who is suspended for one semester may appeal. If, after appeal, the student is readmitted without serving the one semester suspension, the transcript will read Suspended-One—Semester/Readmitted Upon Appeal. The student will be readmitted to the college on Academic Probation.
6. A student who is on Academic Probation after being suspended (for any time period- whether the student has served the suspension or has been readmitted upon appeal) without having since achieved clear academic status and whose cumulative GPA falls below the level required for the total number of hours attempted at the institution but whose semester GPA is 2.0 or above will remain on Academic Probation until the student achieves the required GPA for the total number of hours attempted.
7. A student returning from a suspension (for any time period) and while on academic probation fails to obtain the required GPA for the number of hours attempted and fails to maintain a term GPA of 2.0, will be placed on a one-year suspension. The student may appeal the suspension.
8. All applicable academic designations except clear will appear on the student's transcript.

Appeal Process for Readmission

If a student does not contest the facts leading to suspension but simply wishes to request consideration for readmission, the student may submit a Petition for Academic Reinstatement form to the Admissions Committee for an "appeal for readmission." The petition must be received by the Admissions Committee by the date established by the college each semester. During the meeting of the Admissions Committee, which shall not be considered a "due process" hearing but rather a petition for readmission, the student shall be given an opportunity to present a rationale statement of mitigating circumstances in support of immediate readmission. The decision of the Admissions Committee, together with the materials presented by the student, shall be placed in the College's official records. Students suspended for one calendar year must appeal the suspension the first semester following the suspension. Failure to do so indicates his/her acceptance of the one-year suspension.

Intervention for Student Success

When a student is placed on Academic Probation, One-Semester Academic Suspension, or One-Calendar-Year Academic Suspension, College officials may provide intervention for the student by taking steps including (but not limited to) imposing maximum course loads, requiring a study-skills course, academic skills workshop attendance, and/or prescribing other specific methods for success.