ACADEMIC STATUS AND POLICIES

AN OVERVIEW OF THE CENTER FOR ACADEMIC RETENTION & ENRICHMENT SERVICES (CARES)

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GPA’S YOU NEED TO KNOW

WHAT IS A TERM GPA

WHAT IS AN OVERALL COMBINED GPA

WHAT IS AN INSTITUTION GPA
WHAT ARE TERM, OVERALL COMBINED, AND INSTITUTION GPAs?

**Term GPA** - based only on class you take in a particular semester (Fall, Spring, or Summer)

**Overall Combined GPA** - based on ALL grades that you have earned your ENTIRE career at the University of Memphis. Does NOT include transfer work.

**Institution GPA** - based only on class you have taken at the University of Memphis
Academic Status

The academic progress of students at the University of Memphis is monitored at the conclusion of each term enrolled to determine their academic status.

Student’s overall combined grade point average AND term grade point average are considered in determining status. There are four progressive levels of academic status:

1. Good Standing
2. Academic Warning
3. Academic Probation
4. Academic Suspension
**WHAT IS ACADEMIC WARNING?**

**Academic Warning**

- Students can be placed on Academic Warning **ONLY ONCE** during their enrollment at the University of Memphis.

- After completing seven (7) hours of coursework, students will be placed on Academic Warning when their overall combined GPA is below 2.00 OR the term GPA is below 1.00.

- Once students receive an Academic Warning, they must maintain Good Standing or they will be placed on probation or suspension.
Academic Probation

- Any student who has ever been placed on Academic Warning status will be placed on Academic Probation if:
  - Their overall combined GPA is below 2.00, OR
  - The term GPA is below 2.00.

- Students who have regained Good Standing after an Academic Warning are placed on Academic Probation, if, in any subsequent term, their combined GPA falls below a 2.00 OR the term GPA below 2.00.

WHAT IS ACADEMIC PROBATION?
Continuing on Probation
Students will remain on Academic Probation at least ONE of their GPA’s (Term or Overall Combined) is above a 2.0, but the other is below a 2.0
Academic Suspension

Students on probation will be suspended in the following term if their overall combined GPA is below 2.00 AND the term GPA is below 2.00.
Academic Suspension, continued

Students on academic suspension can apply for readmission only after the following minimum periods:

1. For the first suspension, one regular term (fall or spring).
2. For the second suspension, one calendar year.

After a second suspension, a student may be ineligible for further enrollment at the University of Memphis.
BUT I DIDN’T KNOW WHAT MY STATUS WAS...

You are responsible for knowing your academic status. Notification of academic status is made each semester through your grade report.

Check your grades through My Memphis at the end of the semester to determine your academic status.
### Example Transcript

#### Term Totals (Undergraduate)

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#### Institution Combined:
- **Attempt Hours:** 152.00
- **Passed Hours:** 97.00
- **Earned Hours:** 97.00
- **GPA Hours:** 109.00
- **Quality Points:** 235.96
- **GPA:** 2.16

#### Transfer Combined:
- **Attempt Hours:** 35.00
- **Passed Hours:** 29.00
- **Earned Hours:** 29.00
- **GPA Hours:** 28.00
- **Quality Points:** 64.00
- **GPA:** 2.28

#### Overall Combined:
- **Attempt Hours:** 187.00
- **Passed Hours:** 126.00
- **Earned Hours:** 126.00
- **GPA Hours:** 137.00
- **Quality Points:** 299.96
- **GPA:** 2.18
DOES MY ACADEMIC STATUS EFFECT MY FINANCIAL AID?

- The Financial Aid Office reviews satisfactory progress requirements of each student.
- Contact your Financial Aid counselor to determine how your status may affect your financial aid award.
- Contact the Scholarship Office to determine how your status affects your ability to renew your award.
You can repeat the class once, and the second grade will replace your first grade.

The third time you take a course, the grade will be averaged with the second grade.

For most academic departments, you can only take a course 3 times. For some majors, you must change your major if you fail a class 3 times.

http://coefaculty.memphis.edu/gpacalcplus.asp
HOW CAN YOU REGAIN “GOOD STANDING”? 

- Utilize Repeat Policy
- Earn Minimum Required GPA
- Attend Class
- Take Advantage of University Resources
CARES REQUIREMENTS

**Academic Warning (0-59 credit hours earned)**
- Complete Online AW Workshop
- Mandatory Academic Coaching
  - Bi Weekly, 45 Minute Sessions

**Academic Warning (60+ credit hours earned)**
- Complete Online AW Workshop
CARES REQUIREMENTS

ACADEMIC PROBATION (1ST TIME)
- COMPLETE MANDATORY SELF-PACED, ONLINE ACADEMIC SUCCESS SEMINAR

ACADEMIC PROBATION
- ATTEND MANDATORY BI-WEEKLY MEETINGS WITH A CARES COUNSELOR
- DEPENDING ON GPA, MAY BE ALLOWED TO DO GROUP SESSIONS WITH CARES PARTNERS
CARES REQUIREMENTS

READMIT FROM ACADEMIC SUSPENSION

- MANDATORY BI-WEEKLY MEETING WITH A CARES COUNSELOR
OTHER CARES SERVICES/ PROJECTS

- EARLY ALERT/ INTERVENTION
- ACADEMIC FRESH START