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## Grades

### Academic Standing / Probation / Suspension

#### I. POLICY:

##### Good Academic Standing:

Good academic standing means a student has earned a number of quality points double the number of semester hours attempted with a GPA of 2.0 or better.

##### Academic Probation:

Students are placed on academic probation if their Adams State College GPA falls below a 2.0 after attempting 12 credits. Students may continue their course of study for the following semester. Students remain on probation until they either 1) attain a 2.0 cumulative GPA or 2) have attempted 24 or more credit hours at Adams State College with a cumulative GPA of below 2.0, at which time they will be placed on academic suspension for one semester (excluding summer semester).

##### Academic Suspension:

Students who have a cumulative GPA below 2.0 at the completion of 24 Adams State College semester hours will be suspended from further academic study for a period of one regular semester (excluding summer semester). Following the one-semester suspension, students may resume their studies on probationary status, with their academic progress monitored each semester until they achieve a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or above. Students readmitted following a semester of suspension may be suspended for an extended period of time if they continue to earn a term grade point average below a 2.0.

Suspension Appeal: Students can appeal the suspension standing decision for the following reasons:

- Student's term GPA is above a 2.0 but cumulative GPA falls below a 2.0
- Significant personal hardship
- Satisfactory Academic Progress – Student's with a 2.5 or better term GPA that fall under the suspension guidelines will automatically be placed on academic probation status for the following term.

##### Zero Academic Progress: Procedure for Dealing with Continued Semesters of Non-Academic Progress:

Students that obtain a zero (0.0) term GPA and a zero (0.0) cumulative GPA at the completion of one semester will be placed on academic probation and must meet the following guidelines.

- Required to repeat all failed classes from previous semester (If one or more classes are not offered the following term, an alternative class should be determined in consultation with the student's advisor.)
- Must show academic progress (2.0 term GPA) in order to continue enrollment at ASC

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Students that obtain a zero (0.0) term GPA and a zero (0.0) cumulative GPA at the completion of two semesters (fall/spring or spring/fall) will be suspended for one academic year (fall, spring, summer or spring, summer, fall). Because the student has no proven record of academic progress, the student is not eligible to appeal.

Should the student decide to return to Adams State College after this one year period, the student must reapply for admission. Consideration for readmission will be based on the student's ability to prove academic progress at another institution.

Continued Non-Academic Progress:

Students that have previously been placed on academic suspension and have either:

- Appealed their academic suspension status and were approved to come back for the following semester or;
- Had the academic suspension appeal denied and were not able to attend the following semester

In either case, if cumulative GPA continues to fall below a 2.0 and/or academic progress was not proven, the student is suspended for one academic year (fall, spring, summer or spring, summer, fall). Because this status is based on academic history, the student is not eligible to appeal.

Should the student decide to return to Adams State College after this one year period, the student must reapply for admission. Consideration for readmission will be based on the student's ability to prove academic progress at another institution.

## II. PURPOSE:

The purpose of this policy is to specify what is required for a student to maintain good academic standing and the consequences of not doing so.

## III. DEFINITIONS:

- A. Academic Good Standing: A student has earned quality points double the hours attempted. (e.g. A student who has attempted 12 hours and has 24 or more quality points).
- B. Academic Probation: A student who has failed to maintain good standing is placed on academic probation resulting in their academic progress being monitored every semester until they achieve a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher.
- C. Academic Semester Hours: Credit hours in an academic rather than applied area. PE credits are not academic credits.
- D. Academic Suspension: A student on academic suspension must take a break from academic studies for at least one regular semester.
- E. Cumulative GPA: The grade point average of a student over the entire period of their studies at ASC. This is also known as cumulative scholastic average.
- F. Grade Point Average: The overall average of a student's grades from all classes, weighted by the number of credit hours designated to each course.
- G. Records Office: The ASC Office responsible for assessing and maintaining student records.
- H. Semester Hours: The number of credit hours attempted by a student in a semester.

## IV. PROCEDURES:

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- A. The Records Office will maintain and calculate the GPA for every student at the end of every semester.
- B. Based on the policy above student will be notified if they have been placed on academic probation or academic suspension by the Office of Student Affairs.

V. RESPONISBILITY:

- A. The student is responsible for maintaining good academic standing.
- B. The Records Office is responsible for calculating GPA.
- C. The Office of Student Affairs is responsible for notifying students of the consequences of failing to maintain good academic standing according to the policy above.

VI. AUTHORITY:

ASC General Catalog 2006-2007

VII. HISTORY:

May 30, 2006  
April 14, 2010  
August 18, 2010

VIII. ATTACHMENTS:

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