Academic Standing Policy

If a student has an institutional GPA less than 2.0, one of the following will apply:

**Academic Warning 1 (W1)**
A student will be placed on Warning 1 (W1) status at the end of the first semester of enrollment in which his/her institutional GPA drops below 2.0.

- A student on W1 status will move from W1 when his/her institutional GPA is 2.0 or higher.
- A student on W1 status will remain on W1 status if s/he earns a term GPA of 2.25 or higher for the term but the institutional GPA is below 2.0.
- A student who begins the semester on W1 will be placed on Academic Probation 1 (P1) if his/her term GPA is not 2.25 or higher at the end of the semester and the institutional GPA is below 2.0.

**Academic Probation 1 (P1)**
A student will be placed on Probation 1 (P1) status if s/he was previously on Warning 1 (W1) status, s/he has a term GPA below 2.25, and his/her institutional GPA is below 2.0.

- A student on P1 status will move from P1 when his/her institutional GPA is 2.0 or higher.
- A student on P1 status will remain on P1 status if s/he earns a term GPA of 2.25 or higher for the term but the institutional GPA is below 2.0.
- A student who begins the semester on P1 will be placed on Academic Suspension 1 (E1) if his/her term GPA is not 2.25 or higher at the end of the semester and the institutional GPA is below 2.0.

**Academic Suspension 1 (E1)**
Academic Suspension results when a student who begins the semester on Academic Probation 1 (P1) does not earn either a term GPA of 2.25 or an institutional GPA of 2.0 at the end of the semester.

- A student on E1 status cannot be enrolled at Georgia Southern until they have not been enrolled for two consecutive fifteen-week semesters.
- Any student suspended from the university may submit an appeal to the Academic Standards Committee to be readmitted any time during the two-semester suspension period. If the appeal is denied by the Academic Standards Committee, the student may appeal to the Dean of his/her College.
  - If a student’s readmission appeal is approved by either the Academic Standards Committee or the Dean of his/her College, the student will remain enrolled at the University and will be placed on an intermediate (01) status. A student will be allowed no more than one approved appeal.

**Academic Warning 2 (W2)**
A student will be placed on Warning 2 (W2) status at the end of the first semester after academic suspension (E1).

- A student on W2 status will move from W2 when his/her institutional GPA is 2.0 or higher.
- A student on W2 status will remain on W2 status if s/he earns a term GPA of 2.25 or higher for the term but the institutional GPA is below 2.0.

**Academic Probation 2 (P2)**
A student will be placed on Probation 2 (P2) status if s/he was previously on Warning 2 (W2) status, s/he has a term GPA below 2.25, and his/her institutional GPA is below 2.0.

- A student on P2 status will move from P2 when his/her institutional GPA is 2.0 or higher.
- A student on P2 status will remain on P2 status if s/he earns a term GPA of 2.25 or higher for the term but the institutional GPA is below 2.0.
- A student who begins the semester on P2 will be placed on Academic Suspension 2 (E2) if his/her term GPA is not 2.25 or higher at the end of the semester and the institutional GPA is below 2.0.

**Academic Suspension 2 (E2)**
Academic Suspension 2 results when a student who begins the semester on Academic Probation 2 (P2) does not earn either a term GPA of 2.25 or an institutional GPA of 2.0 at the end of the semester.

- A student on E2 status cannot be enrolled at Georgia Southern for three years.
  - Students who are not enrolled for three years may be eligible for academic renewal.
  - The granting of academic renewal does not supercede financial aid policies regarding Satisfactory Academic Progress.
- Any student suspended from the university may submit an appeal to the Academic Standards Committee to be readmitted any time during the three-year suspension period. If the appeal is denied by the Academic Standards Committee, the student may appeal to the Dean of his/her College.
  - If a student’s readmission appeal is approved by either the Academic Standards Committee or the Dean of his/her College, the student will remain enrolled at the University and will be placed on an intermediate (02) status. A student will be allowed no more than one approved appeal.

**Financial Aid Implications**
A student’s ability to receive future financial funding and ability to meet the Federally mandated Standards of Academic Progress may be impacted by his/her academic standing. Furthermore, earning a 2.0 institutional GPA or higher does not necessarily meet financial aid requirements regarding Satisfactory Academic Progress. Students should make an appointment with a financial aid counselor.

- Note: New Academic Standing Policy is effective Fall 2018.
- ** Students on Warning (W1 & W2) and Probation (P1 & P2) continue to be in good standing with the University.
- *** Institutional GPA is calculated using only the courses enrolled in and completed at Georgia Southern University. Transfer courses are not included in this calculation.
Additional Academic Standing Policies

Readmission

A student who has been placed on Exclusion 1 (E1) may apply for readmission to Georgia Southern after remaining out for one year (three semesters). After a subsequent Exclusion 2 (E2), a student may apply for readmission after remaining out for three years. A former student application should be submitted to the Office of the Registrar for the semester readmission is desired. A student will have to be approved for Academic Renewal (http://catalog.georgiasouthern.edu/undergraduate/academic-resources/academic-policies/academic-renewal-policy) to be readmitted.

Re-readmission (Post-Baccalaureate)

A post baccalaureate student will only be allowed to take undergraduate classes. Post baccalaureate students will not be allowed to take any graduate classes.

Post baccalaureate students who are degree seeking may use the following website for more information on how to contact an advisor and schedule an appointment for advisement: http://academics.georgiasouthern.edu/advisement/.

Requirements After Readmission

Following any academic exclusion and a subsequent readmission, a student will be allowed to continue a maximum of three semesters of enrollment before their total institution GPA has to be above a 2.0. At this time the student will be placed on Academic Exclusion 2 if the total institution GPA is not a 2.0 or higher.

Right of Appeal

In all matters concerning Exclusion 1 or 2, the student may appeal by writing to the Registrar and clearly stating the basis for an appeal. The student may appeal after receiving an Exclusion 2 if the student has not received an approved appeal after they received an Exclusion 1. The appeal will be considered by the Academic Standards Committee. A student will be allowed no more than one approved appeal to the Academic Standards Committee and/or to the student’s dean.

Appeal forms are available online at http://em.georgiasouthern.edu/registrar/students/forms/ and must be submitted electronically. Click “Student,” click “Forms for Students,” and scroll down to the readmission appeal form and submit the appeal. The student should submit the appeal as soon as possible but must be received in the Office of the Registrar prior to 4 p.m. three (3) working days before the first day of University classes for the semester the student is seeking readmission to Georgia Southern University. Individuals failing to satisfy the deadline may submit their appeal for the following term.

Repeating Courses

An undergraduate student may repeat any course and the most recent grade becomes the official grade for the course even if the most recent grade is lower. All grades will be used in computing the total institution GPA. The total institution GPA will be used to determine a student’s academic standing and graduation GPA requirements.

Attending Other Colleges or Universities

The University cannot request another institution to accept a student during any period of ineligibility at Georgia Southern University, but we have no objection to another institution allowing a student to attend while on Exclusion 1 or Exclusion 2.