

Academic Regulations

Classroom Disruptions

The instructor sets the tone for the classroom and has the right to remove any student from the class for disruptive behavior. The instructor must report the incident and the action taken to the Department Chair, and to the Provost's office. If the student and the instructor cannot work out a satisfactory solution to the problem, then it will be referred to the Vice President for Student Affairs.

Academic Progress and Petitions Committee

Administration of the regulations governing academic requirements is vested in the Academic Progress and Petitions Committee. This committee has authority to assess probation or to suspend any student from the University when it appears that the student's work is at such a level that the student cannot benefit by continued attendance. The University requires that students make substantial progress toward meeting graduation requirements, including maintaining a minimum 2.00 GPA. Any cumulative GPA below 2.00 is considered unsatisfactory and will bring the student's record under review.

The Academic Progress and Petitions Committee also serve as an advisory group to the Registrar's Office regarding academic appeals. For information regarding appeals to this committee, students may contact the Registrar's Office.

Warning, Probation and Suspension

The Academic Progress and Petition Committee has established a GPA of 2.00 for satisfactory progress. Students who do not meet these criteria will be placed on academic warning or academic probation and, if no improvement is made, will ultimately be suspended from the University. Conditions established for various probation and suspension categories are listed below.

1. **Academic Warning:** An academic warning is a caution to the student that there is a lack of satisfactory academic progress. Students, including first term freshmen, who do not achieve a 2.0 in any given term will receive an Academic Warning. Students who have no *earned* credits, withdrawals (i.e., all Fs, withdrawals (W) and/or incompletes (I)), for two consecutive terms will also receive an Academic Warning.
2. **Academic Probation:** Students who have attempted two or more terms at OIT and have an OIT cumulative GPA below 2.0 will be placed on Academic Probation. Students who have no *earned* credits, (i.e. all Fs, withdrawals (W) and/or incompletes (I)), for three or more consecutive terms will also be placed on Academic Probation. Students placed on probation will receive notification that they are on Academic Probation as well as instructions on how to proceed. Once placed on probation, students are advised to limit their course load to 13 credits.

3. Academic Suspension: Students on academic probation for one term who do not meet the 2.0 cumulative GPA requirement in the successive term of enrollment will be placed on Academic Suspension *for at least one term*. To reenroll, a student must complete the prescribed procedures and appeal to the Academic Progress and Petitions Committee for reinstatement. Students should contact the Registrar's Office for reenrollment information. Students who have been suspended are denied all privileges of the institution.

Students returning from suspension must complete a special re-enrollment procedure with the Admission's Office, the Registrar's Office and their academic advisor prior to registration in classes.