

UNDERGRADUATE ACADEMIC STANDARDS POLICY

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Academic Standing

Minimum Academic Standards

Undergraduate students must earn a minimum 2.00 JSU (institutional) grade point average (GPA) or above to continue at Jacksonville State University in good academic standing to be eligible to take classes at JSU. Eligible academic standing includes Good Standing, Academic Warning, and Academic Probation.

• *Academic Warning*

A student will be placed on Academic Warning following a term when the semester and JSU (institutional) GPA is less than the required minimum 2.00.

First Time, First Semester Undergraduates will be required to meet with their Academic Advisor and Success Coach, if applicable, at the beginning of the subsequent semester to ascertain needs for an academic advising review, tutoring and/or academic support interventions, access to resources for personal issues, financial wellness concerns and/or career development services.

Other students on Academic Warning will be required to meet with the Student Success Center Retention Specialist or designee at the beginning of the following semester to ascertain needs for tutoring and/or academic support interventions, access to campus services for basic needs, financial wellness concerns, campus resources, and career development services.

All students on Academic Warning will also be required to complete a short Academic Warning class in Canvas during the semester and meet with a financial aid representative to learn about the consequences of failing to meet Satisfactory Academic Progress. The Retention Specialist or designee may also require additional sessions.

Academic Warning is recorded on the transcript.

• *Academic Probation*

A student will be placed on Academic Probation at the end of any semester following a semester on Academic Warning when the JSU (institutional) GPA is less than the required 2.0 GPA. Academic Probation is recorded on the transcript.

Remediation: A student on Academic Probation is limited to 13 hours attempted in the subsequent semester with a required minimum semester GPA of 2.0. The student is also required to meet with the Student Success Center Retention Specialist or designee at the beginning of the following semester to ascertain needs for tutoring and/or academic support interventions, access to campus services for basic needs, financial wellness concerns, campus resources, and career development services. Additionally, the student must complete a short Academic Probation class module in Canvas during the semester and meet with a financial aid representative to learn about the consequences of failing to meet Satisfactory Academic Progress. The Student Success

Center Retention Specialist or designee may also require additional sessions.

If the student makes progress towards a JSU (institutional) GPA of 2.0 each semester, and the semester GPA stays at or above 2.0, the student will remain on Academic Probation. When the student's JSU (institutional) GPA reaches 2.0 or higher, the student will be returned to Good Academic Standing.

However, if the student on Academic Probation's semester GPA falls below 2.0 following placement into Academic Probation, the student will be placed on Academic Suspension.

• *Academic Suspension*

A student on Academic Probation whose semester GPA falls below 2.0 will be placed into Academic Suspension for one semester.

- If placed on Academic Suspension following the Spring Semester, the student will be suspended from Summer Semester with an opportunity to petition for Fall reinstatement during the Summer.
- If placed on Academic Suspension following the Summer Semester, the student will be suspended from Fall Semester with an opportunity to petition for Spring reinstatement during the Fall.
- If placed on Academic Suspension following the Fall Semester, the student will be suspended from Spring Semester with an opportunity to petition for Summer reinstatement during the Spring.

Procedures for Reinstatement following Academic Suspension

Students seeking reinstatement following Academic Suspension should apply by the following deadlines:

1. Reinstatement for Fall Semester: July 1st
2. Reinstatement for Spring Semester: October 1st
3. Reinstatement for Summer Semester: April 1st

The application for reinstatement is available on the Student Success Center - Academic Standing Website (<https://www.jsu.edu/studentsuccess/academic-support/academic-standing.html>).

The Reinstatement Committee will review all reinstatement applications and consider each student's petition with input from key institutional personnel as needed. A decision to approve or deny reinstatement will be communicated to the student via confidential JSU email from the Student Success Center.

A readmitted student on Academic Suspension will be limited to 13 hours attempted with a required minimum semester GPA of 2.0 and will be required to meet with the Director of Academic Support & Success or designee at the beginning of the reinstated semester to ascertain needs for tutoring and/or academic support interventions, access to campus services for basic needs, financial wellness concerns, campus resources, and career development services.

Additionally, the student must complete a short Academic Suspension class module in Canvas during the semester and meet with a financial aid representative to learn about the consequences of failing to meet Satisfactory Academic Progress. The Director

of Academic Support & Success or designee may also require additional sessions.

If the student's semester GPA meets the minimum standard 2.0, but the JSU (institutional) GPA is below the minimum standard 2.0, the student will be permitted to continue with enrollment. However, if the semester GPA falls below the minimum 2.0 GPA and the JSU (institutional) GPA remains below 2.0, the student will be placed into Academic Dismissal.

Courses completed at other institutions while the student is on Suspension from JSU will not be considered for transfer credit because the affected student is not eligible to take classes at JSU.

Academic Suspension is recorded on the transcript.

A student who is denied reinstatement has an opportunity to appeal the decision to the Academic Suspension and Dismissal Appeals Committee up to fourteen days prior to the start of the semester. For information about how to appeal a denied reinstatement, contact the Student Success Center at 256.782.5020 or studentsuccess@jsu.edu. Appeals must be in writing and are only considered for the following reasons:

1. Substantial supporting documentation unavailable to the Reinstatement Committee
2. Extenuating circumstances not expressed to the Reinstatement Committee
3. Reinstatement Committee member conflict of interest

The Appeals Committee will render a decision within ten days and this decision will be final.

• **Academic Dismissal**

Academic Dismissal occurs when a student who is on Academic Suspension reinstatement is unable to obtain the minimum standard JSU (institutional) GPA requirement of 2.0 following provided remediation through Academic Suspension. A student on Academic Dismissal is not eligible to enroll in any undergraduate program or under any status at JSU. Students on Academic Dismissal can apply for reinstatement one calendar year from the semester Academic Dismissal goes into effect. Academic Dismissal is recorded on the transcript.

Procedures for Reinstatement following Academic Dismissal

Students seeking reinstatement following Academic Dismissal should apply by the following deadlines:

1. Reinstatement for Fall Semester: July 1st
2. Reinstatement for Spring Semester: October 1st
3. Reinstatement for Summer Semester: April 1st

The application for reinstatement is available on the Student Success Center - Academic Standing Website (<https://www.jsu.edu/studentsuccess/academic-support/academic-standing.html>).

The Reinstatement Committee will review all reinstatement applications and consider each student's petition with input from key institutional personnel as needed. A decision to approve or deny reinstatement will be communicated to the student via confidential JSU email from the Student Success Center.

Courses completed at other institutions while the student is on Academic Dismissal from JSU will not be considered for transfer credit because the affected student is not eligible to take classes at JSU.

Readmitted students will be required to meet with the Director of Academic Support & Success or designee at the beginning of the reinstated semester to ascertain needs for tutoring and/or academic support interventions, access to campus services for basic needs, financial wellness concerns, campus resources, and career development services.

Additionally, the student must complete a short Academic Dismissal class in Canvas during the semester and meet with a financial aid representative to learn about the consequences of failing to meet Satisfactory Academic Progress. The Director of Academic Support & Success or designee may also require additional sessions.

A student who is readmitted from Academic Dismissal will be limited to 13 hours attempted with a required minimum semester GPA of 2.0. If the student's semester GPA meets the minimum standard 2.0, but the JSU (institutional) GPA is below the minimum standard 2.0, the student will be permitted to continue with enrollment. However, if the semester GPA falls below the minimum 2.0 GPA and the JSU (institutional) GPA remains below 2.0, the student will be placed back into Academic Dismissal.

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