
TITLE:	Academic Progress Policy
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Whatcom Community College is committed to facilitating student academic success and completion of degrees and certificates. The purpose of the Academic Progress Policy is to recognize students in good academic standing and to intervene with students when low academic progress occurs. The following academic progress standards are intended to promote successful learning and alert students to potential problems in time to take corrective action toward completing their academic goals.

Academic Good Standing

- Students with a quarterly and cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.00 or higher.

Academic Warning

- Students with a quarterly GPA below 2.00 and a cumulative GPA of 2.00 or higher.
- Students after their first quarter at WCC with both a quarterly and cumulative GPA below 2.00.
- Students return to good academic standing when they achieve both a quarterly and cumulative GPA of 2.00 or higher.

Academic Probation

- Students with both a quarterly and cumulative GPA below 2.00 after a minimum of two consecutive quarters.
- Students remain on academic probation when their quarterly GPA is 2.0 or above and their cumulative GPA is below 2.00.
- Students return to good academic standing when they achieve both a quarterly and cumulative GPA of 2.00 or higher.

Academic Suspension

- Students with a quarterly GPA below 2.0 in a quarter subsequent to being on academic probation.
- Students are eligible to enroll in one class equal to 5 credits or less.
- Students are eligible to enroll in more than 5 credits if approved by the VP of student services or designee.
- Students return to good academic standing when they achieve both a quarterly and cumulative GPA of 2.00 or higher.

Course Repeats

Students must notify the registration office by email or by submitting a course repeat card through the registration office to exclude a repeated course grade from their GPA calculation.