

Academic Standing

Per UWF REG 3.008, Academic Probation, Suspension, Reinstatement and Dismissal for Undergraduate, Graduate and Non-Degree Seeking and Faculty Senate policy approval on 10/2013, Academic Standing is a formal notice of a student's academic progress. The rules are intended to define what is expected of the students and give them an opportunity to meet the University's academic expectations. At the end of each semester (fall, spring, summer), each student's academic standing is reviewed for action.

Good Academic Standing

Undergraduate students are expected to maintain a 2.00 or higher cumulative UWF GPA. Students are in good standing if they meet the minimum GPA standards based on GPA hours. A student must be in good academic standing in order to graduate.

GPA Standard

- 0 - 15.99 GPA Hours = 1.60 - 1.99
- 16 - 29.99 GPA Hours = 1.80 - 1.99
- 30.00 or more GPA Hours = 2.00

Students on probation or suspension are not considered to be in good academic standing.

Academic Warning

An Academic Warning formally notifies a student that academic improvement is needed. A student who has received an Academic Warning is in good academic standing, as the student is neither on probation nor suspended. This status only applies to students who have less than 30 semester credit hours (SCH) (UWF GPA hours) whose UWF cumulative GPA is within the range listed below.

- 0 - 15.99 GPA Hours – 1.60 - 1.99
- 16 - 29.99 GPA Hours – 1.80 - 1.99

*FTIC students who are placed on academic warning in the fall will be limited to no more than 13 credits and may be required to enroll in a 1-credit hour Academic Foundations course, participate in a structured mentoring activity during the following semester, or participate in other activities or classes deemed appropriate by the University. Students with extenuating circumstances may request an increase in hours with approval from their academic advisor and Director of First Year Advising.

Academic Probation

The intent of academic probation is to serve formal notice that a student may not be making satisfactory progress. It gives students an opportunity to demonstrate their ability to meet the University's academic expectations. Students whose cumulative UWF grade point average (GPA) is below the minimum listed will be placed on academic probation by the student's college.

- 0 - 15 GPA Hours - below 1.60 cumulative UWF GPA
- 16 - 30 GPA Hours - below 1.80 cumulative UWF GPA
- 30 or more GPA Hour - below 2.00 cumulative UWF GPA

Students who are on probation are limited to 14 semester hours for registration to assist with academic success. Students with extenuating circumstances may request an increase in hours with approval from their academic advisor and Department Chair. Students who are on probation, and make sufficient academic progress during the term

of probation, may be continued on probation. Generally, students who achieve a semester UWF GPA of 2.30 or higher are considered making sufficient academic progress. Colleges may impose additional requirements to determine academic progress and have the right to suspend a student whose cumulative GPA is not at the minimum standard.

In addition to satisfying the GPA requirements set forth by the University, students are also responsible for observing the additional academic standards specified by their department or college. Students on probation may apply for a change of major; however, approval is granted by the chairperson of the prospective department. Students should contact the chairperson for guidance.

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Academic Suspension

A student who is on Academic Probation and whose cumulative UWF GPA remains below a 2.00, and who does not earn at least a UWF semester GPA of 2.30, and achieve the minimum cumulative UWF GPA listed below will be subject to Academic Suspension from the University.

- 0 - 15 GPA Hours - 1.60 cumulative UWF GPA
- 16 - 30 GPA Hours - 1.80 cumulative UWF GPA
- 30 or more GPA Hour - 2.00 cumulative UWF GPA

Departments may establish a GPA requirement higher than a 2.30 and other criteria such as completing a minimum number of hours and minimum course grade. Criteria above the University GPA minimums are stated in the program. The College may make exceptions and continue a student on probation as determined by the student's individual circumstances and potential for academic success.

A student on academic suspension is not eligible to register for or attend academic classes at UWF. The dean of the college in which the student is enrolled makes the final decision regarding which students are placed on or removed from Academic Suspension.

Students suspended from UWF who subsequently receive an A.A. degree from a Florida public college or state university may be readmitted to UWF upon application for readmission, with earned credit accepted in accordance with University's policies; See [A.A. Degree Forgiveness Policy](#).

Reinstatement

A student who is suspended for a third time is not eligible for reinstatement at the University. A student who has been suspended fewer than three times may apply for reinstatement following the procedures in effect for the semester in which the student desires to be reinstated. A student must be reinstated by the college in which the student was placed on suspension. Change of major can only occur after the reinstatement. Refer to the [Reinstatement Request from Academic Suspension](#) page for deadlines and information.

In addition, students not attending UWF the previous three semesters must file an [application for readmission](#) with the Office of Undergraduate Admissions along with a Request for Reinstatement

via the [MyUWF](#) app. Students reinstated from suspension may apply for a change of major. Approval is granted by the chairperson of the prospective department.

Students who are reinstated are considered on probation and the rules for probation status apply.

Undergraduate Dismissal Policy

Individual undergraduate programs may have stricter guidelines listed in the University catalog.

Students can be dismissed from an undergraduate program by the college dean for the following reasons:

- a. Failing to meet professional standards of the discipline,
- b. Denied reinstatement after academic suspension,
- c. Being suspended for the third time.

Appeal of Dismissal

An Undergraduate degree-seeking student may appeal a dismissal in writing to the Provost (or designee). The appeal should contain a rationale for consideration and be submitted via email to academicaffairs@uwf.edu.

Non-Degree Students

A student who is not seeking a degree while at UWF, but enrolls in classes is classified as a Non-Degree Student. Although not seeking a degree, such a student is subject to the same Academic Warning, Academic Probation, Academic Suspension, and Reinstatement policies as a degree-seeking student by level of courses in which the student enrolled.