

CAROLINAS COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES POLICY

ACADEMIC

SUBJECT: ACADEMIC SATISFACTORY PROGRESS

REVIEWER(S): Dean of Student Affairs and Enrollment Management*
Director of Student Records and Information Management
Provost

POLICY

Students are expected to make satisfactory progress toward graduation requirements or, if enrolled as general studies students, to successfully complete a reasonable proportion of classes attended. A student not making satisfactory academic progress will generally be allowed a probationary period to demonstrate ability. Repeated failure to make acceptable progress will lead to academic dismissal. Students not enrolled in a program are held to similar expectations of satisfactory grades and successful course completion. Separate policies related to financial aid satisfactory progress govern receipt of aid and are available for review in the financial aid office. Other criteria of satisfactory progress may apply including but not limited to master curriculum plans and competency demonstrations. Program-specific progression requirements which are more stringent than those in this policy will take precedence where there is a conflict.

- A. To make satisfactory academic progress at Carolinas College of Health Sciences (Carolinas College), students must maintain a minimum grade point average (GPA) and successfully attempt a course in a reasonable number of attempts. A cumulative grade point average (CGPA) of 2.0 ("C") is the minimal measure of academic satisfactory progress toward graduation. Grades for courses earned via advanced standing credit are not factored into the Carolinas College CGPA. In addition, at the end of a student's second semester of enrollment and thereafter, students must successfully complete a course within 2 attempts. A grade of A, B, C, or P is considered successful completion of a course; a grade of I, W, D, or F is not considered successful completion.
- B. At the completion of a semester, the Director of Student Records and Information Management will ensure that a new semester grade point average (GPA) and a new CGPA are calculated and appear on the student transcript. A student whose CGPA is below 2.0 (upon completion of the second semester of enrollment and thereafter) will be placed on academic probation for the subsequent semester attended.
 1. The Director of Student Records and Information Management will send a letter alerting the student to his/her probationary status, including sources of academic assistance and consequences of failure to improve.
 2. A grade earned in a class that is retaken replaces the original grade in the calculation of the GPA and CGPA. Separate policies govern CGPA for guaranteed admission purposes.
- C. Although unique course sequencing situations may create allowable exceptions as determined by the dean of student affairs and enrollment management, at the conclusion of the probationary period, the student must have completed more than 50% of their courses for the semester and have a semester GPA above 2.0, or the student will generally be academically dismissed. A final probationary period can be granted under the following conditions:
 1. A student who is academically dismissed following his/her probationary period may reapply to the college. If readmitted, the student returns under a final probation period and must meet all requirements of academic satisfactory progress at the end of this period to remain enrolled.
 2. If the CGPA is still below a 2.0 but the semester GPA is 2.0 or higher and the student passed more than 50% of their attempted credits, the student may be allowed one additional and final semester of probation to demonstrate the ability to be successful.
 3. A student placed on final probation will receive a letter notifying him/her of his/her status.

- D. Students who are academically dismissed will receive a dismissal letter from the Provost.
- E. A student who fails the same course twice will be dismissed from the program.
- F. The Academic Satisfactory Progress policy will be reviewed annually.

REFERENCES

Related Policies to Consult

Carolinas College of Health Sciences:

ACADEMIC - Dismissal; Grading; Progression

Related 2024 SACSCOC Standard(s):

8.1 Student achievement