

## ACADEMIC STANDING

### I. Policy Section

8.0 Students

### II. Policy Subsection

8.17 Academic Standing

### III. Policy Statement

Grand Rapids Community College (GRCC) requires all students to make satisfactory academic progress. Satisfactory academic progress is reviewed at the end of each semester/session of enrollment after a student has attempted at least 12 (cumulative) credit hours at GRCC. This policy applies to all credit students at GRCC regardless of degree status (personal interest, non-degree and degree), program of study, and financial aid status (recipients and non-recipients). Students in specific programs (both academic and support programs) at GRCC and students receiving financial aid and/or veteran's benefits must also meet the specific academic requirements that determine continuation for these programs. Students who fail to meet the standards for Academic Progress will be placed on probation or suspension

### IV. Reason for the Policy

GRCC supports student success. Students not maintaining satisfactory academic progress will not be able to achieve their goals.

### V. Entities Affected by this Policy

Students, Faculty and Staff

### VI. Who Should Read this Policy

All GRCC employees

### VII. Related Documents

GRCC Catalog  
Academic Governing Council Issue Papers

## VIII. Contacts

Policy Owner: Provost/AGC  
Counseling and Career Center  
Deans

## IX. Definitions

### Standard of Satisfactory Academic Progress

Once a GRCC student has attempted 12 credit hours, he/she must maintain a cumulative grade point average of not less than the following:

Credit Hours Attempted GPA Required	Minimum Cumulative
12 - 14	1.50
15 - 28	1.75
29 and above	2.00

#### **A. *Academic Probation***

Students are placed on Academic Probation when they have attempted at least 12 credit hours at GRCC and have failed to meet the minimum cumulative GPA listed above. The student will be notified of probation status. Students on academic probation are required:

1. To complete the Academic Success Workshop prior to the fourth week of the semester/session following placement on academic probation. A registration hold will be placed on the student's account until this requirement has been met.
2. In collaboration with a counselor/advisor, the student will complete a written success contract. Enrollment limitations may be recommended based on counselor/advisor success assessment.
3. To obtain a minimum semester GPA of 2.0 for every semester/session.

Academic probation is removed when the cumulative GPA requirement is met.

#### **B. *Academic Suspension***

A student on academic probation who does not achieve a minimum semester GPA of 2.0 in any subsequent semester/session will be placed

on Academic Suspension. The student will be prohibited from enrolling in classes at GRCC for the next two subsequent semesters/session.

The student placed on suspension may appeal to the Academic Probation and Suspension Committee for immediate return. The Committee's decision is final.

**C. *Readmission for Academic Suspension***

Students returning following a two semesters/session suspension period must complete and submit an Academic Suspension Return Form to the Student Records Office.

Students following the early return option after one semester/session suspension must complete and submit an Academic Suspension Return Form to the Student Records Office. The early return option required the following enrollment conditions: (CLS 102 Practicing Strategies for Academic Success or PY 97 Strategies for College and Life Success, if not passed and a limit of 8 total credits for the semester)

Students will be required to meet with a Counselor/Advisor prior to being able to register for classes and are required to maintain a semester GPA of 2.0 or higher for subsequent semesters/sessions.

X. Procedures

Student Records/Office of the Registrar and Counseling and Career Center in cooperation with the Academic Probation and Suspension Committee will communicate with all students in regards to this policy. Student Records will communicate with students placed on probation or suspension, and requesting to return. The Counseling and Career Center will offer support to students through workshops and individual meetings. The Academic Probation and Suspension Committee will review requests for immediate return.

XI. Forms

Academic Probation Contract  
Academic Suspension Appeal  
Academic Suspension Return

XII. Effective Date

September 2008

XIII. Policy History

Adopted—September, 2008

Revised by Academic Governing Council—September 2013

XIV. Next Review/Revision Date

Provost Office to review this policy in 2019-2020