

ACADEMIC STANDING

Satisfactory Progress

All students will be monitored for satisfactory progress at the following points: after nine (9) semester hours; after twenty-one (21) semester hours; before approval of the capstone experience and before graduation. Students are considered to be making satisfactory progress if the grade-point average is 3.0 or higher and all deficiencies have been removed. Students not making satisfactory progress will be placed on academic probation. Grades of D and F earned in graduate level coursework cannot be used in their final degree audit.

A graduate student is considered to be in Good Standing when the Concordia-Chicago Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) is at or above a 3.0 for all graduate work attempted. A final grade of D+, D, D-, F, AU, AW, NP, NR or W in any graduate level course cannot be applied toward any graduate program. A student who has attempted nine or more semester hours and falls below the 3.0 CGPA will be placed on one of the following probationary or dismissal statuses: Academic Probation, Academic Probation Continued or Academic Dismissal.

Academic Probation

A student in Good Standing who falls below a CGPA of 3.0 will be placed on Academic Probation. Under Academic Probation the student may continue to be enrolled for one additional semester. The student may continue enrollment after this probationary semester if:

- The cumulative GPA is at or above 3.0, and therefore the student regains the status of Good Standing.
- The term GPA is at or above 3.0 even though the CGPA remains under 3.0; such a student will be placed on Academic Probation Continued. A student on Academic Probation whose additional term GPA falls below 3.0 and who has a cumulative GPA below a 3.0 will be subject to Academic Dismissal. Academic Probation is based solely on GPA calculations. The only basis for appeal of this status is for calculation error and the appeal must be submitted in writing to the Office of the Registrar.

Academic Probation Continued

A student under Academic Probation whose probation semester results in a Term GPA at or above 3.0 but still has a CGPA below 3.0 will be placed on Academic Probation Continued. The student may continue enrollment after this probationary semester if:

- The cumulative GPA is at or above 3.0, and therefore the student regains the status of Good Standing; or,
- The term GPA is at or above a 3.0 even though the CGPA remains under a 3.0; such a student will remain on Academic Probation and be granted an additional probationary semester of enrollment. Academic Probation Continued is based solely on GPA calculations. The only basis for appeal of this status is for calculation error and the appeal must be submitted in writing to the Office of the Registrar.

Academic Dismissal

A student under the status of Academic Probation or Academic Probation Continued whose probation semester results in a term GPA below 3.0 and a CGPA below 3.0 will be placed on Academic Dismissal. Students placed on Academic Dismissal will not be allowed to continue enrollment and will be dropped from the graduate program. Furthermore, students who are academically dismissed are not eligible to reapply for admission as a Guest Graduate or in another program of study. Academic Dismissal

is based on GPA calculations. Appeals to be reinstated under Academic Probation Continued must be submitted in writing to the appropriate college dean.