Scholastic Averages and Probation

Scholastic requirements for undergraduate students are expressed in terms of the cumulative grade point average (GPA)—the weighted average of all grades received in residence or at institutions specifically approved for grade transfer. The cumulative GPA is computed at the end of each semester and the second summer session. The University transcript reports a student’s cumulative GPA to two decimal places. When considering cumulative GPA for graduation honors and academic standing, the University truncates the GPA to two decimal places, with no rounding.

Following are the cumulative GPA requirements for good standing:

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<th>Credits Earned</th>
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<td>freshmen to 22</td>
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<td>sophomores 23 to 51</td>
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<td>juniors and seniors with 52 or more</td>
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For computational purposes students who have completed 22 or fewer earned hours shall be required to achieve a 1.70 cumulative grade point average. Students who have completed 23 but fewer than 52 earned hours at the end of the most recent graded term shall be required to achieve a 1.80 cumulative grade point average. Students who have completed more than 53 earned hours at the end of the most recent graded term shall be required to achieve a 2.00 cumulative grade point average.

Other undergraduates including all General College Division, Lehigh Valley Association of Independent College cross registered students, high school scholars and R.O.T.C. students will be required to achieve a 2.0 cumulative grade point average—the minimum average required for graduation—to remain in good academic standing.

Any undergraduate student who achieves a 1.69 or lower cumulative grade point average in a given term is eligible to be reviewed by and may be placed on probation or dropped for poor scholarship at the discretion of the Committee on the Standing of Students.

Students who do not meet the above requirements will be placed on scholastic probation. Students who, regardless of their cumulative averages, have failed more than eight hours of course work in any semester are also placed on scholastic probation.

While there is no specific credit hour requirement for good standing, certain categories of students (e.g., those on financial aid and those playing intercollegiate athletics) will be expected to maintain whatever hours are required for eligibility.

REMOVAL FROM PROBATION

Students are removed from probation at such time as they meet the standard listed above, effective at the end of any semester or the second summer session.

DROPPED FOR POOR SCHOLARSHIP

A student who makes a 2.2 GPA or better in the probationary semester but fails to meet the standards stipulated is continued on probation for another semester. A student who makes less than a 2.2 GPA in the probationary semester and fails to meet the standards stipulated above, is dropped for poor scholarship.

If a student goes on scholastic probation for a second (although not necessarily consecutive) term, a review by the Committee on the Standing of Students will determine whether the student will continue on scholastic probation or be dropped for poor scholarship.