ACADEMIC STANDARDS

Academic Standing

Students’ academic standing at BYU–Idaho is determined by two measures of their work. One is their GPA (grade point average) and the other is the satisfactory progress toward graduation they make in completing those courses for which they are registered. Students are classified in one of the following four academic standing categories: Satisfactory, Probation, Suspension, or Dismissal.

Progress and Non-Progress Grades

Grades are considered to be either “progress” grades or “non-progress” grades. “Progress” grades range from A to D-. “Non-progress” grades are F, W, and UW. Please note that some progress grades do not meet graduation requirements.

Satisfactory Academic Standing

Students are making satisfactory progress when their cumulative GPA is 2.0 or above and they earn progress grades for 75 percent of their credits in their most recent semester.

Academic Probation

Academic Probation is the official notice to students that they are performing below established BYU–Idaho academic standards. Students on Academic Probation are permitted to continue their enrollment at BYU–Idaho. However, continued performance below established academic standards will typically result in Academic Suspension or Academic Dismissal. Students may not petition to have Academic Probation lifted because it does not affect their ability to enroll in BYU–Idaho courses.

To have Academic Probation lifted students must meet all of the following conditions in a single semester:

1. Enroll in a minimum of 12 semester credits.
2. Earn a minimum 2.0 semester GPA.
3. Raise their cumulative GPA to at least 2.0.
4. Earn only progress grades (i.e., no F, W, or UW).

Students will be placed on Academic Probation when their cumulative GPA is 2.0 or above and they enroll in fewer than 12 semester credits.

Students will remain on Academic Probation under either of the following circumstances:

1. They enroll in fewer than 12 semester credits.
2. They earn a 2.0 semester GPA but fail to raise their cumulative GPA above 2.0.

Note: Students who earn non-progress grades (i.e., F, W, or UW) while on Academic Probation will be academically suspended.

When students are placed on probation, they should contact their faculty advisor immediately. It is also recommended that they take advantage of the resources in the Study Skills Lab, Reading Lab, Writing Center, Tutoring Center, Career and Academic Advising Center, and Satellite Advising Center.

If students are receiving University or federal financial aid, they should check with the Financial Aid Office to verify their eligibility.

Academic Suspension

Academic Suspension is the suspension of a student’s opportunity to enroll in any academic course at BYU–Idaho (including those offered through Continuing Education) because they have performed below established BYU–Idaho academic standards. Students who feel they have extenuating circumstances may petition the suspension to the Academic Standards Committee.

Students will be placed on Academic Suspension under any of the following conditions:

1. They earn a GPA below 1.0 during any one semester.
2. They fail to achieve satisfactory progress in 75 percent of their attempted credits in two consecutive semesters.
3. If, while on Academic Probation, they fail to earn a 2.0 GPA during the next semester of enrollment.
4. If, while on Academic Probation, they earn any non-progress grades during the next semester of enrollment (i.e., F, W, or UW).
5. If, while on Academic Probation, they fail to achieve satisfactory progress in 75 percent of their credits during the next semester of enrollment.

Students on Academic Suspension must withdraw from school and arrange for a tuition refund if they have pre-registered and/or paid any tuition for a subsequent semester.

To have Academic Suspension lifted, students must meet at least one of the following conditions after being placed on Academic Suspension:

1. Earn 12 semester (18 quarter) credits in a single semester with a 2.0 GPA from another regionally-accredited college or university.
2. Complete an honorable, full-time mission for the LDS Church.
3. Meet other conditions established by the Academic Standards Committee. These conditions are determined on an individual basis and will be provided to the student in writing.

Students who have their Academic Suspension lifted within two years of being suspended will not be required to apply for readmission to BYU–Idaho. Rather, the Academic Standards Committee will clear them for their next available on-track semester. All other students must apply for readmission through the Admissions Office and are subject to admission application deadlines.

Students who have their Academic Suspension lifted will be placed on Academic Probation until they have met the conditions for Satisfactory standing.

Academic Dismissal

Students who have been academically suspended from BYU–Idaho for a second time may be placed on Academic Dismissal. A student’s academic history will be carefully reviewed by the Academic Standards Committee, and school officials may determine that the student has exhausted any opportunity to study and progress academically at BYU–Idaho. If wishing to continue a formal education, the student will need to seek other options.