

## Academic Standing Considerations

Students are evaluated after fall, spring, and summer terms to make sure they are making successful progress towards a degree. Academic Standing is a value put on a student's record after each semester based on probation/suspension rules set up by institutions and colleges.

### Academic Rules:

Previous Term Academic Standing Value		Cumulative GPA		Cumulative Term GPA		Academic Standing Value
Good Standing	&	greater than 2.0	&	greater than 2.0	=	GOOD
Good Standing or none	&	less than 2.0	or	less than 2.0	=	PRB1
PRB1, PRB2, or DISM	&	less than 2.0	or	less than 2.0	=	PRB2
PRB1, PRB2, or DISM	&	less than 2.0	&	less than 2.0	=	DISM

Note: You may see the values PRAD or PRBH on a student's record. Please do not change these values, as they are historical and the system knows how to calculate academic standing using them.

### Probation Considerations:

- Colleges with more stringent probation rules may put students on probation with higher GPA's than the base probation policy. If that student then changes colleges, the new home college will need to be aware of the old home college's probation rules.

### Suspension Considerations:

- If a student is suspended, they will not be allowed to take classes for at least one academic year.
- While a student is suspended they may not receive financial aid.
- If a student is suspended, their program plan information should be updated to reflect their suspension from their college.
- It is important for a college to review the students who are identified as suspended BEFORE financial aid is disbursed for the following term. It can be a very short window of time between terms.
- If a student returns from being suspended, they will remain on probation for at least one term. This is monitored by the PC service indicator, not by academic standing.

### Service Indicator Considerations

- If Start Term code 1159 (fall 2015) is used: students have already registered for their fall classes. A student will not be able to change their fall registration until they talk to an adviser and the hold either gets pushed to

the next term, by changing the term code to the next term, or released.

- If Start Term code 1163 (spring 2016) is used: a student will be able to make changes to their fall registration. However, a potential opportunity to check in with the student regarding their grades earned for spring 2015 is missed.

Questions? Contact [srhelp@umn.edu](mailto:srhelp@umn.edu)

### Financial Aid/SAP:

- If a student has an Academic Standing value of DISM (Dismissal/Suspension), a P3 service indicator should be added to the student's record and financial aid will not disburse for the term(s) the student is on suspension from their college.
- If a student has a Academic Standing value of DISM and has successfully appealed for a term, the Academic Standing must be changed to PRB2 for that semester and the P3 service indicator be removed, or financial aid will NOT disburse. Remember: current term Academic Standing affects the next term.
- The SAP process monitors students receiving financial aid for these three criteria per semester:
  - cumulative GPA
  - percentage of completed credits per semester
  - maximum time frame to complete a degree
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