Proposal for Academic Standing

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All students are expected to maintain good academic standing at the College. Academic standing is determined by the student's cumulative grade point average (the student's overall academic performance while attending the College at Old Westbury).

Minimum Grade-Point Average (GPA) Requirements

Students must maintain a minimum grade point average of at least 2.00 for their cumulative grade point average to remain on good academic standing. Students who fail to obtain a minimum grade point average of 2.00 in any particular semester will be placed on academic probation, which is a warning that their good academic standing is in jeopardy. Students who are on probation twice in succession are subject to further penalties (described below) at the point where their cumulative GPA falls below 2.00.

Probation Minimum Semester GPA or Minimum Cumulative less than 2.00 GPA less than 2.00

Suspension Successive semesters of probationary status and a cumulative GPA of less than 2.00

Criteria for Academic Probation, Suspension, Dismissal

Academic Probation applies automatically to students who fail for the first time to meet minimum GPA requirements in a given semester. The student is placed on probation for the subsequent semester. The student must meet all semester and cumulative minimum GPA requirements in order to be taken off probation. A student on probation is ineligible to participate on College committees or intercollegiate athletics. Academic probation, including any accompanying constraints upon a student's activities, is intended as a support measure designed to encourage students to focus on their studies in order that they satisfy academic standards.

Academic Suspension applies only to students who have attempted a minimum of 32 credits. Students are automatically suspended from the College if already on probation and they fail to meet the minimum cumulative GPA requirements. The suspended student may not re-register until one semester has elapsed. Financial Aid, however, is not guaranteed.

Academic Dismissal applies automatically to those students who were previously suspended, have returned, and again fail to meet the minimum GPA requirements. The student may not apply for reentrance until two semesters have elapsed since the semester of his or her last registration at the College.