

## Academic Probation & Suspension

Any student whose cumulative grade point average (GPA) falls below *satisfactory academic progress* (2.00 or higher cumulative grade point average) will be placed on *academic probation*. This designation indicates the student is not making satisfactory academic progress toward the completion of an associate or baccalaureate degree. Academic advisement is mandatory for any student on probation and registration efforts will be blocked by the university until permission is granted by the college/general studies or developmental studies. The student on probation must contact his or her academic college/general studies or developmental studies for an advisement session before attempting to register for classes. During this session, an *academic action plan* will be developed and will serve as an academic *contract* between the student and the college/general or developmental studies for the next semester/term. The student may be required to receive academic counseling and/or support services (e.g., tutoring) as a requirement of the contract.

A student on probation *who demonstrates* academic improvement (i.e., a 2.00 or higher semester/term GPA) and complies with all other conditions of the academic action plan during the next semester/term of enrollment, but whose cumulative grade point average does not return to satisfactory academic progress (2.00 cumulative GPA) will remain on probation.

A student on probation who *does not demonstrate* academic improvement (i.e., lower than a 2.00 semester/term GPA) and/or fails to comply with any other condition of the action plan during the next semester/term of enrollment will be *academically suspended* from Lamar University or, with approval from the academic dean, be placed on continued probation and subject to a new academic action plan.

A student subject to his or her first academic suspension must serve a long semester (fall or spring) or entire summer (summer mini, summer sessions I-IV) suspension before returning to Lamar University. Upon return, the student will be placed on probation and subject to a new academic action plan. A second suspension will result in a two semester suspension and a third suspension will result in expulsion from Lamar University.

Any courses completed at other colleges or universities – including the Lamar two-year institutions - during periods of suspension will not be accepted by Lamar University as transfer credit. For advisement or additional information, a student on probation or suspension should dial the telephone number at the bottom of the grade report or his/her academic advisor. This policy takes effect with the Fall 2007 semester.

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