

Academic Standing Regulations (effective fall 2010)

FULL TIME STUDENTS BEYOND THE FIRST YEAR:

The requirements for good standing are:

1. a semester grade point average of 2.000 or higher; and
2. a minimum of 12 credit-hours earned in the immediately preceding semester.

Students who, at the end of any semester, fail to maintain the standard of performance for good standing are placed on probation.

Students on academic probation who fail to return to good standing at the end of the subsequent semester are eligible for separation for at least two academic sessions, including the summer session.

A student is eligible for separation without a semester of probation for either of the following reasons:

1. The student's semester grade point average is less than 1.000; or
2. The student has not earned at least 9 credit-hours in that semester.

FIRST YEAR STUDENTS:

First-year students are expected to meet the same 2.000 GPA standard as all other students. However, they need to earn only 9 credit-hours in the first semester to maintain good standing; beginning in the second semester, they are held to the same 12 credit-hour standard as upperclass students.

First-semester students are subject to separation without already being on probation if:

1. The student's semester grade point average is less than 1.000; **AND**
2. The student has not earned at least 9 credit-hours in that semester.

NEW TRANSFER STUDENTS:

New transfer students in the first semester are treated in the same way as new first-year students (**see above**).

PART-TIME STUDENTS:

A student who registers for a part-time semester will be in good standing if he or she earns a semester GPA of at least 2.000. A student who fails to meet this GPA standard will be placed on probation. Part-time students are not eligible for separation without already being on probation, but become eligible for separation if they fail to earn good standing for two consecutive semesters.

A full-time student placed on probation who subsequently enrolls as a part-time student will not be reviewed for further academic action until she or he has completed sufficient semesters to total at least 12 attempted credit hours. At that time, the student will be reviewed on the basis of a composite of those semesters.

Similarly, a student who goes on probation as a part-time student will not be reviewed for further academic action until she or he has completed sufficient semesters to total at least the number of credit-hours attempted in the semester for which the student was placed on probation. At that time, the student will be reviewed on the basis of a composite of those semesters and will be expected to have earned at least the number of credit-hours attempted in the semester for which she or he was placed on probation.

SUMMER ENROLLMENT AT CWRU:

Students will not be reviewed for academic action at the end of the summer term except in the following two situations:

1. A student on probation as of the end of the spring semester will be returned to good standing at the end of the summer term if she or he has completed at least 6 credit-hours at CWRU with a summer GPA of at least 2.000.
2. Nursing students who enroll for a full course load (at least 12 credit hours) that includes the capstone course during the summer term will be reviewed according to the standards of a regular fall or spring semester.

STUDENTS WHO WERE PREVIOUSLY SEPARATED:

A student who has been readmitted from separation will be held to the same academic standards as outlined above (e.g. a full-time student who earns fewer than 12 credit-hours with a GPA between 1.000 and 2.000 will be placed on probation). A second separation under the above standards will ordinarily be permanent.

TRANSIENT STUDENTS:

Transient students are expected to perform at the same academic standards as degree-candidates. In particular, transient students whose records would make them eligible for separation as degree-candidates may not continue as transient students unless they successfully petition the Academic Standing Board.

A degree-candidate from another institution may not enroll as a transient student at CWRU if the student would not be eligible to enroll for that semester at his or her home institution. Exceptions may be granted by appeal to the Academic Standing Board.