

## Senate Policy

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### Academic Standing, Undergraduate

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#### **Description:**

This policy outlines the expectations for the academic performance of undergraduate students at OCAD University.

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#### **Policy**

Academic Standing is determined at the end of each winter term for all undergraduate program students who have attempted 2.0 or more credits since their last assessment. Students earn a status of good standing, probation, academic suspension or academic expulsion.

### **1. Good standing:**

Students who have attempted 2.0 or more credits since their previous assessment and have achieved an average of 60% or higher for those credits are in good academic standing. Some programs may require a higher average for good standing.

### **2. Probation:**

Students in good academic standing who have attempted 2.0 or more credits since their previous assessment and have earned an average below 60% for those credits are placed on academic probation until their next assessment. This status is recorded in the student record; it is not recorded on the student's academic transcript.

Students on probation are required to complete academic skills training before the start of the next term and/or before registering for further courses.

Students on probation may register for a maximum of 2.0 credits per term until their next assessment of academic standing. They may also be required to meet with their Dean (or designate) for academic advising before the next registration period. The Dean may impose additional conditions to be fulfilled.

### **3. Academic Suspension:**

Students on probation who have attempted 2.0 or more credits since their previous assessment and earned an average below 60% for those credits are suspended from the university. This status of academic suspension is recorded in their records and on their academic transcripts.

Students will be notified following the end of the Winter term that they are subject to suspension. They may not register for further courses for a period of 12 months. After 12 months, suspended students may resume their studies with probationary standing (see section 2. Probation).

Students on academic suspension will be withdrawn from any credit courses already registered in future terms.

Students returning from suspension are required to complete academic skills training before the start of the next term and/or before registering for further courses.

### **4. Academic Expulsion:**

Students placed on academic suspension who return and fail to attain a 60% average in the subsequent probationary period will be expelled from the university.

The status of academic expulsion is recorded in the records and on the academic transcripts of all students expelled from the university.

Students expelled from the university will be withdrawn from all credit courses upon notification.