ACADEMIC PROBATION AND SUSPENSION

I. PURPOSE

Explains the college's minimum academic standards and delineates the requirements for probation and suspension.

II. BACKGROUND AND/OR LEGAL REFERENCE

The college's minimum acceptable standard of work for satisfactory academic progress is a cumulative grade-point average of 2.0 for all completed credit hours.

III. DEFINITIONS

A. **Academic probation**: a warning issued to a student who fails to maintain a grade-point average of at least 2.0 for completed credit hours.

B. **Academic suspension**: dismissal from the college for a period of one semester (Fall, Spring, or entire Summer) for failing to achieve the minimum standard of work while on academic probation.

IV. POLICY

A. **Academic Probation**

1. A student who fails to maintain a cumulative 2.0 grade-point average on the work completed during an academic session is placed on academic probation. Students on probation are encouraged to reduce their course load, to reexamine and, if necessary, adjust their educational objectives, their work load, and their study habits.

2. A transfer student whose cumulative grade-point average at a previous college or colleges is less than 2.0 may be admitted on academic probation.

3. A probationary student whose semester GPA is at least 2.0 remains on probation until the cumulative GPA is a minimum of 2.0.

B. **Academic Suspension**

1. A student on academic probation whose semester GPA is below 2.0 will be suspended for poor academic performance for a period of one semester.

2. Students on academic suspension with a cumulative grade-point average of at least 1.5 may appeal for reinstatement without waiting the usual one semester. (See Regulation 626: Readmission of Academically Suspended Students.)

3. A transfer student on academic suspension from another college may be admitted on
academic probation.

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V. PROCEDURES

A. Academic Probation

1. At the end of each semester/session every student whose cumulative grade-point average is below a 2.0 is informed on his grade report that he/she is on probation.

2. During the probationary semester, the student is required to participate in an academic intervention with a college advisor to develop a plan designed to improve the student’s opportunity for academic success. An advising hold will be placed on the student’s record.

B. Academic Suspension

A student who is placed on academic suspension is informed on his/her grade report that he/she has been dismissed for a period of one semester. Further appeal is subject to the provisions of Regulation 626: Readmission of Academically Suspended Students.

VI. GUIDELINES

The Director of Admissions and Registration is responsible for administering the college’s probation and suspension policies.

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