

## ACADEMIC STANDING, PROGRESSION AND DISMISSAL POLICY: POSTGRADUATE

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### **For students registered on the University's US and UK awards:**

1. Good academic standing for postgraduate students is defined as a cumulative GPA of at least 3.000 (B) in at least 8 US/40 UK credits earned during the most recent semester.
2. At the end of any full semester (fall or spring), fulltime degree-seeking postgraduates and visiting students for more than one semester who have attained a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of less than 3.000 will be identified by the Academic Progress Committee and be advised that they have been placed on academic probation for the next semester.
3. While on academic probation postgraduates are limited to enroll in a maximum of three courses per fall or spring semester. This limit is designed to allow more time to concentrate on each course and improve academic performance.
4. Students on academic probation will not be allowed to progress to the Internship or Thesis courses.
5. Courses taken in the summer sessions will not result in the lifting of probationary status. Postgraduates on academic probation achieving a cumulative GPA of 3.000 or above in a summer session will remain on academic probation in the following semester until they have demonstrated sustained improvement and progression over a full semester.
6. Failure to raise the GPA to 3.000 by the end of a second full semester will normally result in dismissal from the University for failure to progress academically.
7. Postgraduates admitted to the University on academic probation are treated as if their first semester of attendance is their first semester on academic probation.
8. Full-time postgraduates who do not earn 8 US credits over the most recent semester (including a semester of no study when not approved for a Leave of Absence) are at risk of academic dismissal.
9. Dismissal decisions are made each full semester, at the University Examination Board, upon the recommendation of the Academic Progress Committee.
10. Students who are academically dismissed from the University have the right to appeal the decision to the Provost within five working days of receiving the decision via email
11. Students in the UK on a Tier 4 visa risk withdrawal of their right to remain if they fail to make acceptable academic progress. The University is obliged to report any student who is dismissed from the University and who is in the UK on a student visa, to UK Visas

and Immigration (UKVI). Reporting is done after the time period for the initiating the appeals process to the Provost has expired, or after an unsuccessful appeal.

12. Students dismissed from the University on academic grounds are not normally permitted to reapply for admission.

**For students registered on the University's UK-only awards:**

13. Good academic standing for postgraduate students is defined as a cumulative GPA of at least 3.000 (C) in at least 60 UK credits earned over the most recent semester.
14. At the end of any full semester (fall or spring), fulltime degree-seeking postgraduates and visiting students for more than one semester who have attained a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of less than 3.000 will be identified by the Academic Progress Committee and be advised that they have been placed on academic probation for the next semester.
15. While on academic probation postgraduates are limited to enroll in a maximum of two courses per fall or spring semester. This limit is designed to allow more time to concentrate on each course and improve academic performance.
16. Courses taken in the summer sessions will not result in the lifting of probationary status. Postgraduates on academic probation achieving a cumulative GPA of 3.000 or above in a summer session will remain on academic probation in the following semester until they have demonstrated sustained improvement and progression over a full 15-week semester.
17. Failure to raise the GPA to 3.000 by the end of a second full semester will normally result in dismissal from the University for failure to progress academically.
18. Postgraduates admitted to the University on academic probation are treated as if their first semester of attendance is their first semester on academic probation.
19. Full-time postgraduates who do not earn 60 UK credits over the most recent semester (including a semester of no study when not approved for a Leave of Absence) are at risk of academic dismissal.
20. After two semesters or more on APP, students who have been unable to earn 60 UK credits over the two most recent consecutive semesters, risk dismissal from the University.
21. Dismissal decisions are made each full semester, at the University Examination Board, upon the recommendation of the Academic Progress Committee.
22. Students who are academically dismissed from the University have the right to appeal the decision to the Provost within five working days of receiving the decision via email

23. Students in the UK on a Tier 4 visa risk withdrawal of their right to remain if they fail to make acceptable academic progress. The University is obliged to report any student who is dismissed from the University and who is in the UK on a student visa, to UK Visas and Immigration (UKVI). Reporting is done after the time period for the initiating the appeals process to the Provost has expired, or after an unsuccessful appeal.
24. Students dismissed from the University on academic grounds are not normally permitted to reapply for admission.

## VERSION MANAGEMENT

<b>Responsible Department: RAQA</b>			
<b>Approving body: Academic Board</b>			
Version no.	Key Changes	Date of approval	Date of effect
001		24 July 2018	28 August 2018
002	Substantial revision to align language with equivalent policy for undergraduates.	May 2020	August 2020
003	Updated minimum credits for good academic standing	May 2022	01 September 2022
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