College of Agriculture & Life Sciences

New Probation Policies

New probation policies in affect starting with Spring 2019 final grades.

RPTS will follow and enforce these new policies.
Probation Policies

Old Policy
- Overall/cumulative GPA below 2.0 means you go onto probation.

New Policies
- Overall/cumulative GPA below 2.0 means you go onto probation
- Term/Semester GPA below 2.0 means you go onto probation (even if your overall GPA is above 2.0)
Overall/Cumulative GPA Below 2.0

- Cumulative GPA below 2.0
  - 1st Semester < 2.0:
    - Academic Probation and blocked from registration until meeting, or other requirement (i.e. probation contract/acknowledgement is signed, etc.) is met with department
    - Requirement met by the term add/drop deadline. If requirement is not met, student’s schedule will be dropped and/or blocked from continuous registration.
  - 2nd Semester < 2.0 and previous academic probation terms are NOT met:
    - Student is dismissed from major with the option to appeal for continued enrollment
    - If appeal is granted, student is on final probation and will NOT be allowed to pre-register for following term until the terms of probation is verified to have been met.
  - 2nd Semester < 2.0 and previous academic probation terms ARE met:
    - Student will continue on final probation
  - 3rd Semester < 2.0:
    - Student will be dismissed from major with no option to appeal
    - Dismissed students will be eligible to apply for readmission at a date and under terms to be determined by the department

- If a student meets terms of their probation and falls below a 2.0 overall GPA in a subsequent semester, the student will be dismissed from major with the option to appeal.
**Overall/Cumulative GPA Below 2.0**

1\(^{st}\) SEMESTER < 2.0 GPA

- **PROBATION TERMS SET**, Blocked from registration until departmental requirements met.

- **PROBATION TERMS MET AND GPA < 2.0**; CONTINUE ON PROBATION for 2\(^{nd}\) semester. New probation terms set.

- **PROBATION TERMS NOT MET**. 2\(^{nd}\) SEMESTER < 2.0. DISMISSED from major with an OPTION TO APPEAL.

- **APPEAL GRANTED**. CONTINUE ON PROBATION for FINAL semester. New probation terms set.

- **APPEAL NOT GRANTED**. DISMISSED from major.

- **PROBATION TERMS MET**. GPA > 2.0. OFF PROBATION

- **PROBATION TERMS NOT MET**. 3\(^{rd}\) SEMESTER < 2.0. DISMISSED from major.

- **PROBATION TERMS MET**. GPA > 2.0. OFF PROBATION

- **PROBATION TERMS NOT MET**. 3\(^{rd}\) SEMESTER < 2.0. DISMISSED from major.
Term/Semester GPA Below 2.0

1st Term GPA < 2.0:
- Student will be placed on term academic probation and will receive a letter and/or email notifying them of this
- Student will be blocked from registration until meeting, or possible other requirements are met with the department
- Student could be recommended to utilize various student services on campus. These services can include, but are not limited to: Academic Success Center, Student Counseling Services, Student Disability Services, Writing Center, Veteran Resource and Support Center, Student Athlete Services, etc.

2nd Term GPA < 2.0:
- Student will be dismissed from their major with an option to appeal
- If appeal is granted, student will be placed on final probation
- Student will be required to utilize various student services on campus. These services can include, but are not limited to: Academic Success Center, Student Counseling Services, Student Disability Services, Writing Center, Veteran Resource and Support Center, Student Athlete Services, etc.

3rd Term GPA < 2.0:
- Student will be dismissed from their major with no option to appeal
- Dismissed students will be eligible to apply for readmission at a date and under terms to be determined by the department

Term GPA’s do not need to be consecutive to determine probation and/or dismissal.
Term/Semester GPA Below 2.0

1<sup>st</sup> Semester < 2.0 GPA
PROBATION TERMS SET,
Blocked from registration until
departmental requirements met.

PROBATION TERMS MET
GPA > 2.0.
OFF PROBATION

PROBATION TERMS NOT MET.
2<sup>nd</sup> Semester < 2.0.
DISMISSED from major with an
OPTION TO APPEAL.

APPEAL GRANTED.
CONTINUE ON PROBATION
for FINAL semester. New
probation terms set.

APPEAL NOT GRANTED.
DISMISSED from major.

PROBATION TERMS MET.
GPA > 2.0.
OFF PROBATION

PROBATION TERMS NOT MET.
3<sup>rd</sup> Semester < 2.0.
DISMISSED from major.

NOTE: TERM GPA’S DO NOT NEED TO BE CONSECUTIVE TO DETERMINE PROBATION AND DISMISSAL.
University Suspension

- A student whose overall/cumulative GPA is below 2.0 and her/his/their deficiency points are within the following thresholds will be suspended from the University by the University.

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- Deficiency Points Formula

GPA Hours x 2 = ____ - Quality Points = Deficiency Points
Definitions

- **Probation**
  - Probation is special permission by your college or department to continue at Texas A&M for *one semester*
  - [https://us.tamu.edu/Students/Scholastic-Probation](https://us.tamu.edu/Students/Scholastic-Probation)

- **Cumulative/Overall GPA**
  - To calculate a cumulative undergraduate Grade Point Average for *all* course work completed at Texas A&M University, you must divide the total GRADE POINTS earned for *all semesters enrolled* by the total number of ATTEMPTED hours for *all semesters enrolled*.

- **Term/Semester GPA**
  - A student’s grade point average for *any period (semester)* shall be computed by dividing the total number of semester hours for which he or she received grades into the total number of grade points earned in that period. Semester credit hours to which grades of F or U are assigned shall be included; those involving grades of W, Q, S, X, I, and NG shall be excluded.
Definitions

► Dismissal

► If you have been dismissed from a major, a program, or a college, it means you have not met their academic requirements. This could be because of a semester GPA, a cumulative GPA, the grade in a required course, or other reasons as outlined by your major, program, or college. Do not assume that if you fall below requirements you will be put on probation. Probation is not automatic, and some college do not have probation. Once you have been dismissed, you will need to find another major or college.

► Suspension

► If you have been suspended, it means you have not met the academic requirements of the university. Typically, if your cumulative GPA falls below a 2.0, you will be suspended. Suspension is for a 12-month period. Once the 12 months have passed, you have the right to re-apply for admission to the university, but your admission is not guaranteed.

► GPA:

► Only the grade earned in coursework for which the student was registered in this institution shall be used in determining his or her grade point average.

► A student’s grade point average for any period shall be computed by dividing the total number of semester hours for which he or she received grades into the total number of grade points earned in that period. Semester credit hours to which grades of F or U are assigned shall be included; those involving grades of W, Q, S, X, I, and NG shall be excluded.