

**CHARLESTON SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY  
OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR  
MANUAL OF ACADEMIC POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

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SATISFACTORY ACADEMIC PROGRESS/ ACADEMIC PROBATION, SUSPENSION & EXPULSION	R-4	1 of 1	May 4, 1984

Purpose: To establish and maintain criteria for satisfactory academic progress, academic probation, suspension, and expulsion.

Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) is defined as a minimum overall GPA of 2.0. All students will be subject to the academic standing process unless they completely withdraw from the University prior to the last day to receive a grade of W, published on the Academic Calendar. For purposes of this policy, traditional is defined as students in on ground majors; non-traditional is defined as students in online majors, see the Programs of Study page in the Academic Catalog for a complete listing.

**Probation for traditional students**

A traditional student will be placed in a probationary status after any major term (Fall or Spring) the student’s overall GPA does not meet the Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) of 2.0 overall.

Probation will not be applied to Summer, Summer I or Summer II (minor terms). While a student cannot be placed on probation as a result of course work in a minor term, he/she can remove a probation status as a result of course work completed in a minor term. To remove a probationary status in a minor term, a student must take the courses in residence at Charleston Southern University (CSU).

Once a student has been placed on probation 1 or 2, the probation cannot be removed by taking classes at another institution. However, students serving probation may request permission to earn credit (hours only) at approved out-of-town institutions when our Fall and Spring semesters are not in session, and the student's permanent address is 50 miles outside the greater Charleston area. Local resident students must attend CSU unless permission is given to earn credit at a local institution due to special circumstances. Appropriate forms are available in the Office of the Registrar or online.

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**Suspension**

A student on probation 2 will be suspended after any major term if the student's overall GPA is below the Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) of 2.0 overall unless the student's GPA is higher during the term in question will remain on probation 2.

When placed on probation, a student has two consecutive major terms to complete. Failure to do so results in academic suspension. A student suspended for one major term. Students may not appeal this decision. A student

