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FINANCIAL AID SATISFACTORY ACADEMIC PROGRESS FOR UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

A student must demonstrate Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) to be eligible for financial aid awarded by this office. This is a federal requirement. The chart below outlines the standards that must be met.

Degree Program	Minimum GPA for FAS	Completion Requirements	Maximum Credit Hours
Undergraduate	2.0*	Must satisfactorily complete at least 70% of the number of credit hours you have attempted. For example, if you have attempted 30 hours of credits, you are required to pass at least 21 of the attempted hours. The completion rate calculation is cumulative throughout your degree program. Review the chart on page 2 for more information.	180 credit hours attempted (including transfer credits from other schools)
Second Bachelor's	2.0*	Subject to the completion requirements outlined above.	Requires 2 nd BA Form signed by your Academic Adviser which determines maximum time frame for financial aid.
Teacher Certification	2.0*	Subject to the completion requirements outlined above.	180 credit hours including undergraduate work taken before teacher certification.

*Both OU (Institutional) GPA and Total Overall GPA must meet the minimum standard. Undergraduate students with no more than 30 hours attempted may be eligible with a 1.70 minimum GPA as long as the 70% completion rate is met. The GPA for satisfactory academic progress is based on all work attempted (both transfer and OU) minus those courses repeated in accordance with the institutional policy on repeated courses as well as remedial courses.

Satisfactory Grades: A, B, C, D, S, and P.

Unsatisfactory Grades: I, W, F, U, N, NP, AW, and AU

Pass, Suspension and Reinstatement

Pass	Making Satisfactory Academic Progress Eligible for aid	
Suspension	Did not complete minimum required GPA and/or did not meet the 70% completion rate requirement, or exceeded maximum total hours attempted. Also, if probation terms were not met.	No
Reinstatement	Students in suspension status will earn reinstatement of eligibility by completing OU coursework at one's own expense and meeting all SAP standards.	Students who earn reinstatement are identified by FAS at the end of each semester and will be eligible for aid in the following semester.

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Appeals	Students in suspension status may submit a Financial Aid Appeal with documentation showing extenuating circumstances and that they will be able to meet the SAP standards moving forward. An appeal approval will result in either Probation or Academic Plan status. Students whose appeals are denied must meet the reinstatement criteria above.	Only one appeal per semester is allowed.
Probation	Students are placed on probation for one semester when a suspension due to failure to meet SAP standards is appealed and approved. Students on probation earn reinstatement if they meet all SAP standards after the probationary semester. Students who fail to meet all SAP standards after probation are placed in suspension status again.	Eligible for one semester
Academic Plan	Students in suspension status due to GPA or completion rate who complete at least 70% of attempted OU coursework on their own with a minimum semester GPA of 2.0 but who do not meet minimum institutional and/or overall GPA may appeal and cite their performance. FAS may approve the appeal and place the student in academic plan status. Students in suspension status due to exceeding maximum hours may be approved and placed in academic plan status upon successfully appealing. Students with extreme SAP deficiencies may also be placed in academic plan status by FAS if it appears they cannot meet all SAP standards after one probationary semester.	Students in academic plan status are eligible on a semester-by-semester basis as determined by financial aid. Students may be required to sign an Academic Plan agreement and/or submit an Academic Progress Review form as determined on a case-by-case basis by FAS. Students are removed from academic plan status when all SAP standards are being met and are considered to have met the terms for reinstatement.

Use the OU GPA Calculator to calculate the credits you need to improve your current GPA at http://www.ou.edu/production/cgi-bin/gpaou.pl.

COMPLETION REQUIREMENTS CHART

HRS ATTEMPTED	70% POLICY REQUIRES
over 38 hours	0.70 X number of hours attempted
38	27
37	26
36	26
35	25
34	24
33	24
32	23
31	22
30	21
29	21
28	20
27	19
26	19
25	18
24	17
23	17
22	16
21	15
20	14

HRS ATTEMPTED	70% POLICY REQUIRES
19	14
18	13
17	12
16	12
15	11
14	10
13	10
12	9
11	8
10	7
9	7
8	6
7	5
6	5
5	4
4	3
3	3
2	2
1	1

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