

## Minimum Academic Standards

Students must meet minimum academic standards in work completed at Texas State. Those who fail to do so are placed on academic probation or academic suspension, as appropriate. In determining whether a student is placed on probation or suspension, only grades earned at Texas State are considered.

## Academic Probation

Academic probation is an emphatic warning that the quality of the student's work has not met Texas State's minimum academic standards and that the quality must improve during the probationary semester in order for the student to continue at Texas State. A student will be placed on academic probation at the end of the fall or spring semester in which the Texas State GPA is less than 2.00. A student will be removed from academic probation at the end of a semester if the Texas State GPA is 2.00 or higher.

Students placed on academic probation are given two probationary semesters (fall or spring terms) to raise their Texas State GPA to 2.00. For example, if a student is placed on academic probation because the Texas State GPA has fallen to 1.85, then at the end of the two following probationary semesters the Texas State GPA must be 2.00 or higher, or the student will be placed on first academic suspension. Grades earned in developmental coursework, in which neither hours nor grades are calculated toward the GPA, will not affect a student's academic standing.

## Policies Governing First Academic Suspension

A first academic suspension will be for the first long semester following placement on academic suspension. The academic standing on the transcript will be noted as "Suspension 1".

If there are extenuating circumstances, students may appeal for reinstatement to the appropriate college dean or designee for reinstatement. A student suspended from one college of Texas State may not be reinstated by the dean of another undergraduate college. Deans may, at their discretion, impose conditions regarding course load limits, workload limits, counseling, etc. If the dean denies reinstatement, the student may then appeal to the Suspension Appeals Committee. Contact the specific college for the deadlines to appeal at both levels. If reinstatement is allowed, the academic standing will be updated on the transcript to "Susp1-Reinstated on Probation". The transcript will also include the notation "Reinstated for \_\_\_, Enters on Academic Probation" in the term comments field.

Unless other special conditions are imposed by the dean or the Suspension Appeals Committee, students granted reinstatement and re-admitted on academic probation are given two probationary terms (fall or spring terms) to raise their Texas State GPA to 2.00.

In addition to any special conditions imposed by the dean or the Suspension Appeals Committee, students must meet the conditions under "Academic Probation" explained above.

At the end of the second probationary semester, if the Texas State GPA is less than 2.00, the student will be placed on second academic suspension.

Students who are placed on first academic suspension from Texas State at the end of the spring semester will be:

1. Reinstated by the Office of the University Registrar on academic probation for fall if,
  - a. they attend the summer term at Texas State,
  - b. pass nine semester hours, and
  - c. earn a 2.00 Term GPA on courses attempted in summer term

Or

2. Considered in good standing for the fall term if,
  - a. they attend the summer term at Texas State and
  - b. their *cumulative* Texas State GPA is 2.00 or greater at the end of the summer term.

## Readmission Following a First Academic Suspension

At the end of the one long semester period for a first suspension, students may apply for readmission to Texas State for the subsequent semester. Students also must apply for readmission to Texas State following an absence of one long semester or more. Students who re-enter Texas State following an academic suspension do so on academic probation. The academic standing on the transcript will be updated to "Susp1-Reinstated on Probation". For specific regulations, refer to paragraph on "Academic Probation". If the Texas State GPA is less than 2.00 at the end of the second probationary semester, the student will be placed on second academic suspension.

## Policies Governing Second Academic Suspension

Students who fail to meet the minimum academic standards defined above will be placed on academic suspension for a second time, for a period of two calendar years. The academic standing on the transcript will be noted as "Suspension 2".

If there are extenuating circumstances, students may appeal to the appropriate college dean for reinstatement. If reinstatement is denied, students may then appeal to the Suspension Appeals Committee. Contact the specific college for the deadlines to appeal at both levels. If the appeal is approved, students may return to Texas State on academic probation, subject to special conditions imposed by the dean or the Suspension Appeals Committee regarding course load limits, workload limits, counseling, etc. The academic standing on the transcript will be updated to "Susp2-Reinstated on Probation". The transcript will also include the notation "Reinstated for \_\_\_, Enters on Academic Probation" in the term comments field. If reinstatement is allowed after one long term, prior to the end of the second calendar year, students must apply for re-admission to Texas State (refer to Program D in the Admissions section). In addition to any special conditions imposed by the dean or the Suspension Appeals Committee, students must meet the conditions under "Academic Probation" explained previously. At the end of the second probationary semester, if the Texas State GPA is less than 2.00, the student will be placed on a third academic suspension.

## Readmission Following a Second Academic Suspension

At the end of the two-year period for a second academic suspension, students may apply for re-admission to Texas State (refer to Program D in the Admissions section). Students who re-enter Texas State following an academic suspension do so on academic probation. The academic

standing on the transcript will be updated to "Suspn2-Reinstated on Probation".

## **Policies Governing Third Academic Suspension**

Students who fail to meet the minimum academic standards defined above will be placed on academic suspension for a third time. Students on a third suspension may not continue at Texas State. The academic standing on the transcript will be noted as "Suspension 3".

If there are extenuating circumstances, students may appeal to the appropriate college dean for reinstatement. If reinstatement is denied, students may then appeal to the Suspension Appeals Committee. Contact the specific college for the deadlines to appeal at both levels. If the appeal is approved, students may return to Texas State on academic probation, subject to special conditions imposed by the dean or the Suspension Appeals Committee regarding course loads limits, workload limits, counseling etc. The academic standing on the transcript will be updated to "Suspn3-Reinstated on Probation". The transcript will also include the notation "Reinstated for \_\_\_, Enters on Academic Probation" in the term comments field. If reinstatement is allowed after one long term, students must apply for re-admission to Texas State (refer to Program D in the Admissions section). In addition to any special conditions imposed by the dean or the Suspension Appeals Committee, students must meet the conditions under "Academic Probation" explained previously. At the end of the second probationary semester, if the Texas State GPA is less than 2.00, the student will be placed on another third academic suspension.

## **Effect of Suspension on Correspondence or Extension Courses**

While on suspension, students may complete a correspondence course in which they enrolled prior to suspension. Students may not enroll in an extension or correspondence course from Texas State while on suspension.

## **Registering at Another Institution During Suspension**

Students who have been placed on academic suspension are not prohibited from registering at another institution; however, such academic work will not change the GPA used for calculating probation and suspension, since only those grades earned at Texas State are calculated in determining probation-suspension status. Students who enroll for 30 or more semester hours at another institution while on suspension from Texas State will be considered transfer students if they return and will be required to have a 2.25 GPA in that work for re-admission.

## **Exceptions**

Cases in which the circumstances are not covered by the above regulations shall be handled at the discretion of the director of Undergraduate Admissions and the college dean.