

Section V - Academic Standing Criteria for Academic Progress

1. Good Standing

A student in good standing is allowed to enroll without qualification. To maintain good standing, a degree candidate must have a minimum cumulative grade point average as listed in the Criteria for Academic Progress. The minimum grade point average required for good standing is based on a scale that is determined by the sum of credits a student has attempted at Norwich, including Summer School, whether passed or failed, plus credits accepted in transfer, according to the transfer credit policy.

(1) Total of Credits (attempted plus transferred)	(2) Minimum Accumulative Grade Point Average Required for Enrollment in Good Standing
0-17	1.60
18-34	1.80
35+	2.00

To be eligible to enroll in good standing, the student in the credit range in the first column must have a grade point average of not less than that in the second column.

**Courses numbered below 100 will only meet pre-requisite requirements, but they will be included in the GPA and Academic Standings calculations and the Class Year Assignment.*

CAUTION:

Students and others are cautioned that the university's standards for academic progress are not the same as the standards for satisfactory academic progress that are used to determine eligibility for federal financial aid. It is possible to be eligible to enroll in the university, and no longer be eligible to receive federal financial aid. More information about the standards for federal financial aid can be found at the following link: <http://www.norwich.edu/admissions/financialaid/federalpolicies.html>

2. Placement on Academic Probation

Students who fail to earn the cumulative grade point average required for good standing at the end of a semester are enrolled for the following semester on academic probation. Being placed on probation warns students that academic progress is in jeopardy and places restrictions and conditions on their enrollment. The conditions are as follows:

- Must have a signed contract with the Academic Achievement Center as a condition of enrollment. The student must sign this contract by the end of the add/drop period. Failure to sign this academic probation contract by end of the add/drop period may lead to dismissal.
- May not carry more than 14 credits plus one ROTC course.

- Whenever possible, courses in which the student received a C- or below should be repeated to increase the GPA.
- May not participate in extracurricular activities.
- Shall hold no rank in the Corps of Cadets and shall have no additional Corps responsibilities.

A student on academic probation is eligible to participate in academic field trips and other appropriate academic activities scheduled as part of course requirements.

Students who fail to adhere to the conditions of enrollment on probation may be dismissed prior to the conclusion of the semester.

Class Year Assignment

Class Year	First Semester Credits	Second Semester Credits
Freshman	0 - 12	13 - 26
Sophomore	27 - 41	42 - 56
Junior	57 - 72	73 - 88
Senior	89 - 103	104+

Students will be assigned a class year at the time of their admission or readmission. Updating of class year will occur as credits are posted. Classification will be based on the above chart. The student who fails, at the beginning of each semester, to have earned the required number of credits to remain with his or her class, but who is eligible to enroll, will be reclassified to the next highest class year which is supported by total credits earned.

3. Dismissal for Academic Deficiency

A student who fails to achieve good standing will be dismissed after one semester on probation unless the student earns a semester GPA of 2.0 or above while on probation. Summer school sessions do not count as semesters on probation. Summer school credits are included in attempted credits. Students who attain good standing after being on probation will restart the procedure above if they return to probationary status.

Students who have been readmitted after dismissal for academic deficiency with the special condition of signing a mentoring contract with the Academic Achievement Center will be dismissed at the end of that semester, if they do not return to good standing, unless they obtain a semester GPA of 2.0 or above. Students earning a semester GPA of 2.0 or above will remain enrolled with the original conditions in place until they obtain good standing as long as they continue to earn semester GPA's of 2.0 or above, provided they comply with the conditions of their enrollment. Dismissal may affect a student's eligibility for federal financial aid.

4. Application For Readmission by a Dismissed Student

- Individuals dismissed for an unsatisfactory academic or disciplinary record may apply for readmission after a six-month period of separation has been completed. Individuals who have been dismissed for academic reasons and have returned themselves to good academic standing may, provided there are no financial or disciplinary barriers, return

to the university by informing the Registrar of their desire to return in writing. These individuals will be designated as returning students, and will be exempt from the provisions of paragraphs B and C below, but their School Director or Department Chair will assign the student an advisor and an appropriate catalog year on his/her return.

- b. **For academic dismissals**, an application for readmission form requesting re-admission is submitted to the Registrar's Office at least one week before the start of the semester. The readmission decision of the Committee on Academic Standing and Degrees (CASD) will be based on the provided evidence, that the student can academically succeed. Appeals of the CASD's decisions may be made to the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs (SVPAA) whose decision is final. Students who are readmitted after having been dismissed for academic reasons may have limited eligibility for federal financial aid.

For disciplinary dismissals, requests for readmission go to the Vice President for Student Affairs.

- c. Individuals who are dismissed for academic deficiency may be conditionally readmitted to the University. Failure to adhere to the mandatory conditions of readmission may result in dismissal from the university prior to the conclusion of the semester.
- d. A School Director or Department Chairs must assign an advisor and catalog year to the student at the time of readmission. The catalog year establishes the academic regulations and degree criteria that the student must follow to graduate.