

ACADEMIC STANDING

Good Standing

Students must maintain a 3.00 cumulative average to remain in good standing.

Academic Probation/Dismissal

Graduate students whose cumulative grade point average falls below 3.00 will be placed on academic probation. Graduate students must raise their GPA to 3.00 by the end of the next semester (or full summer term) in which they register. An additional probationary semester may be granted at the discretion of the graduate dean. If a student fails to meet the conditions of academic probation he/she will be dismissed. Graduate students earning a cumulative GPA of 2.00 or lower will be dismissed from their graduate program without a probationary period. Graduate students admitted provisionally who fail to meet the provisions of admission are subject to dismissal.

A graduate student earning an F grade in any course will be dismissed. Departments/programs reserve the right to establish an official policy in which students are not dismissed for an F grade. An F earned at West Chester University may not be made up at another institution of higher learning for the same course.

Students dismissed from the university may apply for re-admission. Courses taken prior to the dismissal may be applied to a subsequent program with departmental consent. The original program reserves the right to refuse to re-admit the student.

Grades earned during summer sessions count the same as grades earned during the academic year. All grades recorded determine the student's academic standing, even if a student changes degree programs. Students dropped from a graduate program due to unsatisfactory work will not be permitted to take courses for credit towards a graduate degree in that department beyond the semester in which they are dropped.

Individual programs may have higher GPA minimums or additional requirements. To be eligible to receive a graduate certificate or degree, graduate students must complete all requisite courses and credits with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00.

Graduate students on academic probation are not eligible for graduate assistantships. Students holding graduate assistantships who fail to maintain a 3.00 cumulative GPA will have their assistantships revoked or will not have them renewed. This policy includes courses taken during summer sessions. Departments also may stipulate higher academic standards for maintaining assistantships.