POLICY

TITLE:	Academic Standard of Progress Policy
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Whatcom Community College is committed to facilitating the academic success of students. The primary purpose of the Academic Standards of Progress Policy is to provide a means for alerting students when low academic achievement occurs and encouraging them to seek assistance from various College resources.

Step I - *Academic Alert*

A student will be placed on **Academic Alert** at the end of any quarter in which one of the following occurs:

* Quarterly GPA is below 2.00
* Cumulative GPA is below 2.00
* Quarterly credits completed is less than 50% of the credits attempted

Step II - *Academic Probation*

A student will be placed on **Academic Probation** at the end of any second consecutive quarter in which one of the following occurs:

* Quarterly GPA is below 2.00
* Cumulative GPA is below 2.00
* Quarterly credits completed is less than 50% of the credits attempted
* Cumulative non-completion grades (F, V, W, U, I) total 21 credits or more

Step III -*Academic Suspension*

A student will be placed on **Academic Suspension** at the end of any third consecutive quarter in which one of the following occurs:

* Quarterly GPA is below 2.00
* Quarterly credits completed is less than 50% of the credits attempted

Re-admission After Suspension

A suspended student may petition the Probationary Review Committee, in writing, for immediate reinstatement if failure to maintain satisfactory progress was due to extenuating circumstances. If the petition is approved, the student will be allowed one additional quarter of probationary status. Any other suspended student may petition the Committee, in writing, for re-admission to the College after a waiting period of at least one quarter.

Evidence must be provided that the student has reassessed his or her educational goals and that the factors which led to the suspension have been eliminated. Upon approval, the student will be re-admitted on academic probation and all Academic Standards of Progress Policy rules will apply.