

Academic Standing

Academic performance is represented by academic standing, according to the Faculty Handbook (<https://provost.missouri.edu/faculty-affairs/faculty-policies-and-resources/>) *section VIII*, of which there are four levels: Good Academic Standing, Academic Notice, Academic Warning, and Academic Dismissal. For the purposes of this policy, “term” may refer to a semester or summer term. Cumulative GPA and UM GPA may be used interchangeably. Grades of “S,” “U,” “W” or “I” will not be included in determining the grade point average.

Good Academic Standing

New, first-semester students to MU are considered in good academic standing until they have established an MU GPA. Continuing students whose most recent term and cumulative GPAs of 2.0 or higher are in good academic standing.

Academic Notice

Students in good academic standing (including those in their first semester of enrollment at MU) whose term GPA falls below 2.0 are placed on academic notice. Students on academic notice must establish a 2.0 term and cumulative GPA within two successive terms of enrollment or they are on academic dismissal status.

Academic Warning

Students on academic notice whose term or cumulative GPA falls below 2.0 for a second consecutive term are placed on academic warning.

Academic Dismissal

Students on academic warning must establish a 2.0 term and cumulative GPA in their next term of enrollment, or they are on academic dismissal.

Summary of Academic Standing Criteria

Starting Standing	Term GPA	Cumulative GPA	Expected Standing
≥2.0	≥2.0	Good Standing	
#2.0	<2.0	Academic Notice	
<2.0	≥2.0	Academic Notice	
<2.0	<2.0	Academic Notice	
Good Standing	≥2.0	≥2.0	Good Standing
Good Standing	≥2.0	<2.0	Academic Notice
Good Standing	<2.0	≥2.0	Academic Notice
Good Standing	<2.0	<2.0	Academic Notice
Academic Notice	≥2.0	≥2.0	Good Standing
Academic Notice	#2.0	<2.0	Academic Warning
Academic Notice	<2.0	≥2.0	Academic
Academic Notice	<2.0	<2.0	Academic
Academic Warning	≥2.0	≥2.0	Good Standing

Academic Warning	≥2.0	<2.0	Academic
Dismissal			
Academic Warning	<2.0	≥2.0	Academic
Dismissal			
Academic Warning	<2.0	<2.0	Academic
Dismissal			

Grade Changes and Academic Standing

A student’s academic standing will be re-evaluated whenever a previously non-reported, erroneously reported, in-progress, or incomplete grade is changed.

Appeals for Academic Dismissal

Students have the right to appeal to an academic unit following their first academic dismissal. Students with approved appeals will be placed on academic warning. Students with denied appeals will remain on academic dismissal and required to sit out for a minimum of one calendar year before they may apply for readmission. Appeal decisions by the academic unit are considered final decisions.

Students with subsequent dismissals must remain on academic dismissal. After one calendar year, they may apply for readmission to the university with an appeal to an academic unit. The appeals process for each academic unit must be published each term.

Readmission Following Dismissal

If approved for readmission the student’s academic standing will be academic warning.

Academic Standing Notification by Academic Units

Academic units are responsible for notifying students of their academic standing. This is typically completed within 2-3 days of when grades are due. Application and communication must be made promptly using processes as agreed upon by the Academic Advising Leadership Council (AALC) and Undergraduate Deans.

Majors and Academic Units with Higher Academic Standards

Some majors and academic units may have higher academic standards for program admissions and continuation. If students do not meet the academic requirements established for a particular major, the student may be ineligible to continue in that degree program; and as a result, the student may change to a major for which they are academically qualified. Students should consult the University catalog and advising office for more information about the requirements for their specific degrees. Students enrolled in dual career programs (i.e., undergraduate and graduate or undergraduate and professional) will have a set of academic actions defined by the graduate or professional program.