

Scholastic Standards

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Scholastic standards are mandated by the faculty through the Faculty Council Committee on Scholastic Standards. Procedures relative to scholastic standards are administered through the Center for Advising and Student Achievement (CASA). Those students whose scholastic achievement is less than that required for graduation are placed on probation or dismissed from the University

Policies regarding probation, dismissal, and appeal are determined by the faculty and the University in their absolute discretion subject to acceptance by the governing board of Colorado State.

MINIMUM CUMULATIVE GRADE POINT AVERAGE

In order to graduate, a minimum cumulative grade point average (CUM GPA) of 2.000 on a 4.000 scale must be earned at Colorado State University. A student is expected to maintain a CUM GPA of 2.000 or higher at all times. All grades earned in regular credit courses, including those taken through the Division of Continuing Education or the Colorado State summer session, will count toward the CUM GPA. For students who have been granted a Fresh Start, all grades earned prior to the Fresh Start will not count toward the student's CUM GPA. Failure to maintain a CUM GPA of 2.000 or higher will result in one of the following actions.

ACADEMIC PROBATION

Failure to maintain a CUM GPA earned at Colorado State University of 2.000 or higher will result in academic probation for a period of two regular semesters (fall and spring). Grades earned in regular credit courses through the Division of Continuing Education or the Colorado State summer session will count toward the CUM GPA regardless of when those classes are taken. At any time that the CUM

GPA is raised to a 2.000 or higher, the student will return to regular academic standing.

Students who withdraw from Colorado State while on probation will remain on probation if they return to the University. Students on academic probation who return to Colorado State after attending another institution will continue their probation, since transfer credits are not computed within the CUM GPA earned at Colorado State.

ACADEMIC DISMISSAL

Students on academic probation who do not raise their CUM GPA to a 2.0 or higher after two regular semesters (fall and spring) will be dismissed from Colorado State University. Students who have been academically dismissed from Colorado State University have three options to seek readmission. First, they can take classes through the GUEST program, through the Colorado State University Summer Session, or through the Division of Continuing Education, but they are not eligible to apply for readmission until the CUM GPA is raised to 2.000 or higher.

The second option available to students who have been academically dismissed is to enroll at another accredited institution and meet the requirements to be admitted as a transfer student to Colorado State University. Upon transferring back to Colorado State University, students will have two semesters following re-enrollment to raise their CUM GPA earned at Colorado State University to 2.000 or higher or face academic dismissal again. Transfer credits are not computed within the CUM GPA earned at Colorado State University.

Students who have raised the CUM GPA to 2.000 or higher or who apply as students transferring from another institution may apply for readmission to the University subject to any enrollment limitation as set by the Colorado Department of Higher Education or the governing board.

Appeal of Academic Dismissal

Students may appeal academic dismissal. An online appeal may be submitted to the Center for Advising and Student Achievement for consideration by the Faculty Council Committee on Scholastic Standards. All appeals must be submitted in accordance with written instructions. All

appeals of academic dismissal will be acted upon by the Faculty Council Committee on Scholastic Standards no later than seven business days prior to the first day of classes for the next regular academic semester (either fall or spring).

ACADEMIC FRESH START

Former Colorado State undergraduate students may apply for an academic Fresh Start, a policy which allows students to establish a new academic record. A student may be granted a Fresh Start only once.

An academic Fresh Start may be granted only after at least five years have elapsed since the student's last term of enrollment as an admitted, degree-seeking student, regardless of the number of credits taken. Courses taken through the Division of Continuing Education or the Colorado State University Summer Session after being dismissed or ceasing enrollment as an admitted degree-seeking student will not count against the five-year interval required for a Fresh Start.

Applications for a Fresh Start will be made through the Center for Advising and Student Achievement and should be submitted one semester prior to the academic term in which a student wishes to enroll in the University. Receipt of a Fresh Start does not guarantee admission, but may aid the student in normal admissions procedures.

A student granted a Fresh Start and enrolled will have a demarcation on the permanent academic record to delineate the previous record from the new academic record achieved under the Fresh Start policy. Credits for those courses in which a grade of at least C- or S was awarded prior to the Fresh Start may be applied toward graduation requirements under the Fresh Start policy. Only grades earned after the Fresh Start demarcation will be computed in the new GPA. A Fresh Start may have implications regarding other requirements for graduation, such as upper-division and in-residence requirements. See these sections of the General Catalog for details.

If a student receives a Fresh Start, he or she must successfully complete at least 30 upper-division credits of coursework in residence at CSU after the Fresh Start is granted in order to graduate.

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