

ACADEMIC PROGRESS, NOTICE, & SUSPENSION

Academic Progress

Georgian Court University is committed to supporting student success while maintaining clear academic standards. To graduate, students must earn a minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.00. Students' academic progress is reviewed at the end of each term to determine if they are meeting the GPA thresholds required for continued enrollment and success.

Academic Standing Categories

Academic standing is determined by both a student's cumulative GPA and their term GPA. The university utilizes a tiered system of support to help students who are struggling academically regain good standing and stay on track for graduation.

Good Academic Standing

- **Definition:** A student is considered to be in good academic standing if they have a cumulative and term GPA of 2.00 or higher.
- **Action:** No interventions are required. Students in good academic standing are eligible to enroll in up to the maximum number of credits allowed and are considered to be progressing satisfactorily toward their degree.

Academic Notice – Level 1

- **Definition:** Assigned to students whose cumulative GPA is between 1.70 and 1.99, or whose term GPA falls below 2.00, even if their cumulative GPA remains above 2.00.
- **Action Required:**
 - Students must enroll in a mandatory Student Success class.
 - A Personalized Academic Success Plan will be developed, including strategies for time management, use of academic resources, and regular check-ins.
 - Students are encouraged to reduce their course load if appropriate, though there is no formal credit limit at this level.

Academic Notice – Level 2

- **Definition:** Assigned to students whose cumulative GPA is between 1.40 and 1.69.
- **Action Required:**
 - Students must enroll in a mandatory Student Success class.
 - A reduced credit load may be required to ensure focus on academic improvement.
 - Students at this level are at risk of academic suspension if improvement is not demonstrated by the end of the following term.

Academic Suspension

- **Definition:** A student will be suspended from the university for at least one full semester if:
 - They fail to raise their cumulative GPA to 1.70 or higher after one semester on Academic Notice Level 2, or
 - Their cumulative GPA falls below 1.40.
- **Action:**

- Suspended students may not enroll in courses at Georgian Court University during the suspension period.
- Students will receive written notice of the suspension and the conditions for future reinstatement.
- The suspension period provides time for students to reflect, address any personal or academic barriers, and demonstrate readiness for return.

First-Year Exception:

First-semester freshmen whose cumulative GPA is below 1.40 will be placed on Academic Notice Level 2, rather than suspended, to provide a supportive opportunity for early intervention. If the student does not raise their GPA to at least 1.70 by the end of the following semester, they will then be subject to academic suspension.

Reinstatement After Suspension:

Students who have been suspended may return to the university through one of the following options:

1. **Appeal of Suspension:**
 - Students may appeal the suspension decision within ten business days of receiving their notification.
 - Appeals must include a written statement explaining the circumstances that contributed to poor academic performance, documentation if relevant, and a detailed plan for academic recovery.
2. **Petition for Reinstatement:**
 - Students may petition for reinstatement after sitting out for at least one full semester.
 - The petition must demonstrate:
 - Evidence of improved academic readiness (e.g., success in courses taken elsewhere, participation in personal development programs).
 - A clear and actionable academic plan for success upon return.
 - Reinstatement must be approved by both the Office of Student Success and the Academic Review Committee.