

Your Undergraduate GPA and How to Achieve Good Standing



Meaning of Each Academic Standing Level

Good Standing

A student who has a cumulative (overall) GPA of 2.00 or higher.

Academic Warning

A student who has a cumulative GPA less than 2.00 and falls into one of the GPA's on the chart to the right based on total GPA hours attempted**. Students on Academic Warning may register for a maximum of 16 credit hours in a regular semester.

Cumulative GPA Hours Attempted	Cumulative GPA
1 – 32	1.50 – 1.99
33 – 64	1.70 – 1.99
65 – 79	1.90 – 1.99
80 +	n/a

Academic Probation

A student who has a cumulative GPA less than 2.00 and falls into one of the GPA's listed on the chart to the right based on total GPA hours attempted**. Students on Academic Probation may register for a maximum of 16 credit hours in a regular semester.

Cumulative GPA Hours Attempted	Cumulative GPA
1 – 32	0.00 – 1.49
33 – 64	0.00 – 1.69
65 – 79	0.00 – 1.89
80 +	0.00 – 1.99

Probation Continued

Cumulative GPA Hours Attempted	Cumulative GPA	Semester GPA
1 – 32	0.00 – 1.49	2.00 – 4.00
33 – 64	0.00 – 1.69	2.00 – 4.00
65 – 79	0.00 – 1.89	2.00 – 4.00
80 +	0.00 – 1.99	2.00 – 4.00

A student who is already on Academic Probation from their prior semester who does not meet the cumulative GPA threshold for hours attempted for Academic Warning or Good Standing, but earns a semester GPA of 2.00 or higher will remain on probation and may register for a maximum of 16 credit hours in a regular semester.

Academic Suspension

Cumulative GPA Hours Attempted	Cumulative GPA	Semester GPA
1 – 32	0.00 – 1.49	0.00 – 1.99
33 – 64	0.00 – 1.69	0.00 – 1.99
65 – 79	0.00 – 1.89	0.00 – 1.99
80 +	0.00 – 1.99	0.00 – 1.99

A student will be suspended from the university following a probationary semester in which the student does not qualify for Probation Continued or removal from probation to either Academic Warning or Good Standing. A student suspended for the first time may re-enroll after sitting out for one full (fall or spring) academic semester.

A student who receives a second academic suspension may re-enroll after sitting out for two calendar years. A student who receives a third academic suspension is no longer eligible to re-enroll at Murray State.

*** Helpful Tip: To find your total hours attempted, go to your Academics tab on myGate and click on the Transcript link in Academic Profiles. Total GPA attempted hours will be listed at the bottom of your transcript.*

Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) versus Academic Standing

The Department of Education and Kentucky Commonwealth each require student to meet Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) requirements in order to remain eligible for federal and state loans and grants. Failure to meet the standards could lead to loss of eligibility for both federal and state financial assistance.

A SAP financial aid suspension is not the same as an Academic Suspension. Students may receive a SAP financial aid suspension, but be academically eligible to enroll and continue taking courses at Murray State without receiving any federal or state financial assistance. Students who receive a SAP notice should contact the Student Financial Services Office for more information regarding their financial aid eligibility and how to appeal. SAP notifications are sent directly to students by Student Financial Services. Notices of Academic Suspension that prevent registration are sent directly to students by the Office of the Registrar.

Academic Suspension Appeals

A student who has been academically suspended from MSU and feels it was due to circumstances beyond their control may appeal in writing to the Registrar for special consideration. The student's request will be forwarded to the Academic Appeals Committee for review. For more information about appeals, deadlines to appeal, and to submit an official appeal, please visit <http://www.murraystate.edu/academics/RegistrarsOffice/records.aspx>.

Tips for Academic Success

The University offers many resources to assist students who are struggling academically. Resources are available online at www.murraystate.edu/advising and in your Starfish Student Success Network. The link to access your Starfish Student Success Network is on your Academics tab in myGate.

You are also encouraged to reach out to your academic advisor. Your advisor is available to assist you with developing a plan for success and helping you achieve your academic goals. If your advisor is not available or you need additional support, please reach out to the Student Engagement and Success Office staff. They can be reached by email at msu.success@murraystate.edu or by phone at 270-809-2274. These highly trained individuals are able to work with you to develop habits to aid you in reaching your full academic potential.

Communication is key. Talk to your academic advisor. Reach out to the Center for Student Engagement and Success and contact your instructors if you need help with specific classes.

Dual Credit and Transfer Work

College credit earned while in high school and transfer work from other colleges/universities will impact your Murray State academic standing. Students may be admitted to Murray State on good standing, academic warning or probation. Your current academic standing is listed on your Academic Profile on your Academics tab in myGate.

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