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The 2022-2023 Catalog Addendum is published to provide applicants and the general public with information about changes to Sonoran University's educational programs, policies, or procedures. The unrevised content of the 2022-2023 Course Catalog and the content of this addendum are valid for the 2022-2023 academic year.

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Institutional Policies Summary

This section supplements the Institutional Policies section in the 2022-2023 Course Catalog, page 29. The full text of the Institutional Policy changes follows this summary.

Institutional Policies Modifications		
Section	What changed	First Effective Term
Standards of Satisfactory Academic Progress	Conditions by which a student would advance to an Academic Probation Level. Sonoran University is implementing a two-phase modification to its Standards of Satisfactory Academic Policy. The first phase, implemented with the publication of this addendum, consists of new definitions for Academic Probation I, Academic Probation II and Academic Dismissal.	Summer 2023, which includes grades from Spring 2023.

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Institutional Policies

Standards of Satisfactory Academic Policy

Good Academic Standing is defined as consistently meeting or exceeding the program requirements of GPA minimum standards and the minimum academic requirements of appropriate program progression as measured against program maximum time to completion.

Academic Probation is a reflection of a student's academic standing. Academic Probation is assigned as an alert when the student is not making sufficient progress toward completion of the degree and a signal that intervention, in the form of an academic development plan, is required.

Course Failure/Withdrawal and Program Completion

Failure of a single course may not always progress a student to a probation level. However, students failing a course or withdrawing from course(s) will be required to meet with academic advising to complete an academic development plan, which may include co-requisite developmental coursework, intended to support improved performance.

- Failure or withdrawal from a course could impact the student's projected program completion date. Students who do not meet the minimum academic requirements of program progression (as measured against program maximum time to completion) will be subject to dismissal from the program.
- Failing a course for the second time will result in dismissal.

ACADEMIC PROBATION

First Academic Probation (Academic Probation I)

A student is placed on Academic Probation I if:

- The student does not achieve the required program minimum cumulative GPA standard (2.1 ND/3.0 MS), or
- The student fails one or more clerkships (CLTR course) during a quarter at Sonoran University (ND program only).

A notation of Academic Probation I is included on the student's academic transcript. Students placed on Academic Probation I will receive notification from the Registrar's Office and will be required to meet with academic advising to complete an academic development plan intended to support improved performance. Students are encouraged to engage with other support resources (e.g. Learning Specialist, mental health professional) to obtain additional assistance.

If the student is unable to continue in their prescribed program of study, the student may be placed on an Administrative Leave of Absence (ALOA) and therefore may not be eligible for financial aid. The student may be eligible to reenter their prescribed program of study as determined by academic advising and Sonoran University's ALOA policy as outlined in the catalog. Note: A student whose GPA projections show an inability to recover to 2.1 (ND)/3.0 (MS) or higher in subsequent terms by the projected graduation date may be subject to dismissal.

Second Academic Probation (Academic Probation II)

A student is placed on Academic Probation II if:

- The student does not achieve the required program minimum cumulative GPA standard (2.1 ND/3.0 MS) while on Academic Probation I, or
- The student fails one or more clerkships (CLTR course) during a quarter at Sonoran University (ND program only) while on Academic Probation I.

A notation of Academic Probation II is included on the academic transcript. Students placed on Academic Probation II will receive notification from the Registrar's Office and will be required to meet with academic advising to update their academic development plan intended to support improved performance. Students are encouraged to engage with other support resources (e.g., Learning Specialist, mental health professional) to obtain additional assistance.

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If the student is unable to continue in their prescribed program of study, the student may be placed on an Administrative Leave of Absence (ALOA) and therefore may not be eligible for financial aid. The student may be eligible to reenter their prescribed program of study as determined by academic advising and Sonoran University's ALOA policy as outlined in the catalog. Note: A student whose GPA projections show an inability to recover to 2.1 (ND)/3.0 (MS) or higher in subsequent terms by the projected graduation date may be subject to dismissal.

ACADEMIC DISMISSAL

Students demonstrating unsatisfactory academic progress or who are unable to meet the Technical Standards of Admission (if applicable) for their prescribed program of study will be subject to dismissal. A student will be subject to dismissal if:

- The student does not achieve the required program minimum cumulative GPA standard (2.1 ND/3.0 MS) while on Academic Probation II, or
- The student fails one or more clerkships (CLTR course) during a quarter at Sonoran University (ND program only) while on Academic Probation II, or
- The student's projected program completion exceeds program maximum completion time, or
- The student fails the same course for the second time during any portion of their enrollment at Sonoran University (a course includes any didactic course or clinical clerkship in the prescribed program of study), or
- The student fails to meet the Technical Standards of Admission (if applicable) for prescribed program of study.

At any time in the program, Sonoran University reserves the right to dismiss a student when their academic record is deemed unsatisfactory. Likewise, a student whose total record shows considerable ability and marked improvement may be given special consideration. A suspended or dismissed student may not participate in any program-sponsored activities. Additionally, they may be barred from the College's property during the suspension period and/or after dismissal, unless pre-approved permission is provided by the Dean of Students to attend meetings and/or hearings in person.

A student dismissed from their degree program will be ineligible for re-enrollment or re-admission to that degree program. Students who are concurrently enrolled and dismissed from one of their degree programs are not dismissed from the institution and may continue in the other program.

Academic dismissal from one degree program does not preclude the student from admission to another degree program at Sonoran University. All academic records from the program from which a student was dismissed are reviewed to inform admission decisions.