

## Scholarship Standards

The following scholarship standards apply to each academic division of Western Washington University, except Fairhaven College. Students should note that transfer between academic divisions is restricted in cases of low scholarship.

Low- and high-scholarship standings are not changed as a result of the removal of incomplete (K) grades and late grades received in correspondence courses.

### Good Academic Standing

Students are in good academic standing if they have a cumulative grade point average that is not below 2.00.

### Low Scholarship

The University has set the standards described below to ensure that students who are earning low grades will examine their objectives carefully before continuing enrollment. In some cases, students will be dropped from the University. The standards are designed to ensure that a student will examine their objectives and seek assistance before grades deteriorate to the point that continued enrollment or admission to another college or university becomes impossible. In all cases involving low scholarship, students are encouraged to consult with the Academic Advising & Student Achievement Center, their instructors, or major advisor.

### Matriculated Students

The low scholarship categories below apply to all [matriculated students in all](#) divisions of Western Washington University except Fairhaven College. (See the [Fairhaven College of Interdisciplinary Studies](#) section for that division's scholarship standards.) Students dropped from one college division may not transfer to another college division without reinstatement by the Scholastic Standing Committee. These standards also apply to students enrolled in self-supporting courses.

### Academic Warning

A warning is issued to a first-quarter freshman or a first-quarter transfer student (who has not previously attended Western) whose grade average is below 2.00 and to any continuing student whose quarterly grade average is below 2.00 but whose cumulative grade average is 2.00 or higher.

### Academic Probation

Any student except a first-quarter freshman or first-quarter transfer student (who has not previously attended Western) whose cumulative grade average falls below a 2.00 is placed on academic probation. A student who begins the quarter on probation must earn at least a quarterly grade average of 2.00 to avoid academic dismissal (see below).

### **Continuing Probation**

Student who begin a quarter on probation and, during that quarter, earns a grade average of 2.00 or higher without raising their cumulative grade average to at least 2.00 is placed on continuing probation. Student must then improve their cumulative grade average to at least 2.00 or attain at least a 2.30 quarterly average during the next quarter of enrollment.

Students on probation or continuing probation who repeatedly withdraw or register for Pass/No Pass or Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory courses may have their registration privileges suspended by the Registrar.

### **Academic dismissal**

Students will be dropped from the University if they (a) begin a quarter on probation and earn a quarterly grade average below 2.00 and fail to raise their cumulative grade average to at least 2.00 or (b) begin a quarter on continuing probation and earn a quarterly grade average below 2.30 and fail to raise their cumulative grade average to at least a 2.00.

Under unusual circumstances involving consistent patterns of course withdrawal or course repeats, a student whose cumulative grade average is 2.00 or higher may be dismissed from the University. The provost may authorize dismissal in these unusual cases after reviewing records presented by the Registrar.

A student who has been dismissed for low scholarship should first meet with an advisor with the Academic Advising & Student Achievement Center to begin their planning for returning to Western via the reinstatement petition process. More information about the reinstatement process can be found on the AASAC's website: [aasac.wvu.edu/reinstatement](http://aasac.wvu.edu/reinstatement). See also the Reinstatement section below for more details

Removal from probation occurs at the end of a quarter during which a student has improved their **cumulative** grade average to 2.00 or higher.

### **Non-Matriculated Students**

**Students whose quarterly GPA falls below a 2.00 for three quarters of enrollment as a non-matriculated student will not be allowed to enroll in additional coursework, unless admitted as a matriculating student.**

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