ACADEMIC PROBATION AND DISMISSAL

Students whose cumulative grade point average (GPA) falls below a 2.0 are subject to dismissal from the college. The Academic Standing Committee reviews these cases at the end of each semester, excluding summer, and decides whether to allow a student to continue on probation or to dismiss. A semester of probation prior to dismissal is not guaranteed. The current guidelines for dismissal are as follows:

- First semester transfer students receiving a GPA less than 1.5 will be dismissed.
- First semester freshmen who do not participate in the Freshman Success Program, or are granted an administrative leave, will be dismissed.
- Any second semester student with both semesters less than 2.0 will be dismissed.
- Any student returning from a dismissal (either because an appeal was granted or by readmission) whose semester GPA is less than 2.5 will be dismissed.
- Any student the Committee deems is not making adequate progress towards the degree will be dismissed.

Students whose semester GPA falls below a 2.0 are also subject to academic review, even when their cumulative GPAs remain at or above a 2.0. The following guidelines apply:

- Students whose semester GPA falls below a 2.0 for one semester will receive an academic warning;
- Students whose semester GPA falls below a 2.0 for two consecutive semesters will be placed on academic probation;
- Students whose semester GPA falls below a 2.0 for three consecutive semesters will be subject to dismissal from the college. The Academic Standing Committee may grant an additional semester of probation prior to dismissal on a case-by-case basis;
- Students whose semester GPA falls below a 2.0 for a fourth consecutive semester will be dismissed.

A student who has been academically dismissed for the first time may appeal the dismissal. Appeals must be in writing to the Academic Standing Committee. Details regarding the appeals process, including deadlines, will be stated in the dismissal letter. If the student’s appeal is granted, the student will be reinstated on probation for the semester following the dismissal. If a student does not appeal, or the appeal is denied, the student must sit out for two full semesters before being allowed to return. Summer sessions are not considered full semesters in this calculation; therefore, students will be required to remain out for fall, spring and summer. Students who have been dismissed a second time have no right of appeal and will not be allowed to reapply to New Paltz.

Notations regarding academic warning, probation, dismissal and reinstatement after dismissal will be noted on all transcripts.

Letter grades, quality points, and academic averages earned elsewhere are not transferable. Only the GPA earned in work taken at New Paltz is used to determine probation, dismissal, and eligibility for graduation.

Students who are allowed to continue at the College on PROBATION are required to do the following:

- meet with their advisor to review the past semester’s difficulties and plan a strategy for improvement;
- submit to the Academic Standing Committee a letter, counter-signed by the student’s advisor, detailing the difficulties and the strategy for improvement;
- register for no more than 15-16 credits (approx. five courses). The advisor may recommend a lighter workload;
- earn a semester GPA of at least 2.5 every semester until the cumulative GPA is above a 2.0;
- students on semester GPA probation must earn a 2.0 GPA for the semester.

Students on probation may be restricted from participating in certain College activities, such as athletics, resident assistantships, etc. Students should consult the organization in question regarding its policy on participation. The Academic Standing Committee has the right to impose additional restrictions.

Students who are academically dismissed and who are subsequently readmitted will be required to meet the college-wide requirements in force at the time of readmission. Students academically dismissed from the College are also dismissed from their major(s). Upon readmission, students must re-declare their majors and must meet the major requirements in effect at that time.

Special Note To EOP Students: Students who are admitted under the Educational Opportunity Program will be reviewed by the EOP Committee on Academic Standing. EOP students are subject to additional regulations relating to academic probation and dismissal. These regulations are outlined in the EOP Student Agreement Form, which EOP participants sign during their orientation sessions.

Readmission to New Paltz for Academically Dismissed Students

For details about the readmission policy, please see Readmission to New Paltz (http://catalog.newpaltz.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies/readmission-new-paltz).

The readmission process is for former students who have been withdrawn or dismissed from New Paltz. Prior enrollment at New Paltz does not constitute automatic readmission to the College. Each application will be evaluated according to the admission criteria in place at the time of the readmission application.

To be considered for readmission, it is required that academically dismissed students successfully complete at least 15 credits of academic course work at another institution, with at least a 2.75 GPA.

Students who have been academically dismissed may only apply for a semester that is at least one full year since their dismissal.

Students who have been academically dismissed twice are not eligible for readmission.

Readmission to New Paltz does not necessarily guarantee clearance for enrollment and registration, financial aid, or student health services. These clearances are based on criteria other than your academic standing, including but not limited to open accounts, proof of immunization, or other unresolved business with the college.
**Readmission Application Deadlines**

All required documents must be received in the Office of Undergraduate Admission by these dates:

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There is no summer readmission

1 The College reserves the right to close admission earlier than these dates without prior notice.

Policy reflects revisions adopted March 2009.