

Understanding Academic Standing

The official regulations can be found on the UNO website (<http://www.uno.edu/registrar/catalog/1718catalog/university-regulations.aspx>). This is a basic summary.

The Objectives of Academic Standards

Academic Standards are created to uphold the integrity of the university and to ensure the satisfactory academic progress of each student. Students who demonstrate the lack of ability, preparation, industry, or maturity to make satisfactory progress or to benefit from a Program of Study will not be able to continue within the university. Academic regulations outline the conditions for Good Standing, Probation, and Suspension/Dismissal.

The Academic Standards

1. **Academic Good Standing** – All undergraduate students are expected to maintain a cumulative grade point average (CGPA) of at least 2.0 on all college work attempted and all work attempted at UNO. The University will, however, certify a student to be in Good Standing as long as that student has a CGPA that does not result in an Academic Suspension or Indefinite Academic Suspension/Dismissal.
2. **Academic Probation** – Undergraduate students will be placed on Academic Probation when their CGPA falls below a 2.0. A student on Academic Probation will be suspended from the University at the conclusion of any semester (Summer included) in which he/she fails to earn a Term Grade Point Average (TGPA) of at least a 2.0. A student will remain on Academic Probation until a CGPA of 2.0 or higher is achieved for all college work attempted.
3. **Academic Suspension** – Undergraduate students on Academic Probation will be suspended from UNO at the conclusion of any semester (Summer included) in which they fail to earn a TGPA of at least a 2.0. First-time freshmen admitted in Good Standing will not be suspended prior to the completion of two semesters of enrollment.
4. **Academic Suspension/Dismissal (Indefinite Academic Suspension)** – Undergraduate students earning a second Academic Suspension at UNO are placed on Indefinite Academic Suspension/Dismissal which will be for a period of one calendar year from the date of the last term in which the academic action was accrued. Any student who is not permitted to re-enroll for continuing semesters must apply for re-admission upon completion of the prescribed period of absence. Prior admission decisions will not guarantee re-admission to the University.
 - a. Academic Suspension/Dismissal Exceptions
 - i. A student suspended for the first time at the end of the Spring semester (only) may attend summer school. If the student raises their CGPA to 2.0 or higher, they are placed in Good Standing and their suspension period is lifted. The student may then attend the Fall semester. If the student does not raise their

CGPA to 2.0 or higher in the Summer session, the Suspension for the Fall semester will remain in effect. In this case, only one suspension is counted against the student.

- ii. An undergraduate student suspended from UNO may not earn degree credit from another year university, but may enroll in a community college. To ensure minimal or no loss of credits upon return to UNO, it is recommended that the student consult with his/her advisor regarding the choice of courses to be taken at the community college. Credits earned under these conditions may be accepted for a degree at UNO provided grades of a “C” or higher are earned in the courses to be transferred.
5. **Academic Suspension or Indefinite Academic Suspension/Dismissal Readmission** – A student who has been suspended or dismissed from the University will not be permitted to register until the expiration date of their academic action. The student must apply for Admission to the University through the Office of Admissions.
 6. **Academic Warning** – A student is placed on Academic Warning when the earned TGPA falls below a 2.0 yet the CGPA remains higher than a 2.0. This academic action serves as a warning to the student that their GPA will be negatively impacted by future TGPAs lower than the required GPA of 2.0.
 - a. **First Suspension** – The first Suspension at UNO is one full semester (Fall or Spring only).
 - b. **Second or Subsequent Suspension** – At UNO, Second or Subsequent Suspensions are categorized as Indefinite Academic Suspension/Dismissal as described above.

Comprehension Questions

1. What is the difference between a CGPA and a TGPA? What does each acronym stand for?
2. What CGPA must a student maintain in order to remain in Good Standing with the University?
3. What is the difference between Academic Probation and Academic Suspension?
4. How many Academic Suspensions can you receive before you earn an Academic Suspension/Dismissal (Indefinite Academic Suspension)? How long will you have to wait until you are allowed to re-enroll in classes?
5. Describe an Academic Warning in your own words.