

ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY

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Students are expected to study and perform to the best of their abilities. The academic eligibility standards listed on the next page represent minimum levels to remain enrolled at the University. A student who fails to meet these standards is not making satisfactory academic progress and should seek additional assistance from an academic advisor, the Academic Success Center, the Academic Recovery Program, or other appropriate University resources.

The evaluation for academic eligibility is separate from the evaluation for satisfactory academic progress for student financial aid. Further information on satisfactory academic progress for financial aid purposes can be found at www.clemson.edu/financial-aid/applying/academic-progress.html.

ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY DEFINITIONS

The terms below identify conditions pertinent to a student's academic eligibility status:

- **Academic Alert:** A student who earns a semester grade-point average below 1.5, regardless of cumulative grade-point average, is placed on academic alert. No notation concerning academic alert will appear on the student's permanent record.
- **Academic Probation:** A student who fails to maintain a cumulative grade-point average of 2.0 or higher is placed on academic probation. No notation concerning probation will appear on the student's permanent record. A student on academic probation may enroll in a maximum of 16 credit hours, unless permission for a higher course load is granted by the academic advisor. Students on academic probation are encouraged to participate in the Success Matters Program offered by the Academic Success Center.
- **Academic Suspension:** A suspended student is ineligible to enroll in classes for the fall or spring semester immediately following the suspension notification. Suspension is for one semester only and the student is eligible to re-enroll the following semester. To re-enroll, a student must file an application for readmission. Information about the readmission process can be found at www.registrar.clemson.edu/html/formerStu.htm.
- **Academic Dismissal:** A student who re-enrolls after a suspension is subject to dismissal at the end of the semester in which he/she does not meet the academic eligibility standards listed below. Dismissed students may apply for readmission after one calendar year has elapsed. Readmission is by appeal only. A dismissed student who is readmitted and again fails to meet academic eligibility standards will be permanently dismissed. Permanent dismissal may not be appealed, and a student permanently dismissed may not apply for Academic Renewal.

NOTE: A student on academic probation for two consecutively enrolled semesters is evaluated to determine academic eligibility. Eligibility for continued enrollment is evaluated at the end of each semester unless otherwise indicated in this policy. Students who have completed only one semester will not be evaluated.

ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

A student on academic probation will remain academically eligible if one of the following criteria are met.

1. The student passes at least 12 graded credit hours and earns a 2.4 or higher GPA at the end of the semester. Duplicate credits do not count as credits passed.
2. The student achieves the minimum cumulative grade-point average (MCGPA) below:

Overall Attempt Hours	MCGPA
16-29	1.75
30-59	1.85
60-89	1.95
90+	2.00

Overall Attempt Hours includes all credit hours attempted at Clemson plus any credits awarded from transfer course work and/or approved examination programs. Only grade points earned at Clemson are used to calculate the MCGPA.

3. The student achieves a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher.

ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY EVALUATION

As described below, academic eligibility criteria are different for students who 1) have completed fewer than three semesters; 2) have completed at least three semesters; 3) have been suspended; and 4) are returning on appeal. Conditions of academic eligibility are described in the previous section.

1. A student who has completed fewer than three fall and spring semesters will be evaluated at the end of his/her second semester of enrollment. If the student has two consecutive semesters on academic probation, he/she is eligible to enroll in the subsequent semester but must meet the academic eligibility standards at the conclusion of the third semester to avoid suspension for the next semester. Summer enrollment is not included in the count of semesters. If a student is suspended at the conclusion of the third semester, this suspension is not appealable.
2. A student who has completed three or more fall and spring semesters will be evaluated at the end of each fall and spring semester. If the student has two consecutive semesters on academic probation and fails to meet the academic eligibility standards, he/she will be suspended for the next regular (fall or spring) semester. A student subject to suspension at the end of spring semester may enroll in summer sessions and will avoid suspension if he/she meets the academic eligibility standards.
3. A student who re-enrolls after being suspended is evaluated at the end of each fall and spring semester until a cumulative grade-point average of 2.0 or higher is achieved. A previously suspended student on academic probation who fails to meet academic eligibility standards will be dismissed at the end of the following semester. Dismissed students are permitted to re-enroll only as a result of a successful appeal after one calendar year has elapsed.
4. A student permitted to re-enroll after a successful appeal of suspension or dismissal is evaluated at the end of each semester until a cumulative grade-point average of 2.0 or higher is achieved. A student who fails to meet academic eligibility standards will be suspended or dismissed, according to his/her academic situation. Students let in on appeal that fail to meet standards are not allowed to appeal again.

NOTE: Suspension is for one semester and re-entry is guaranteed. Previously suspended students are subject to dismissal at the end of the semester in which they fail to meet one of the academic eligibility criteria.

POTENTIAL ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY OUTCOMES FOR STUDENTS WHO HAVE COMPLETED FEWER THAN THREE SEMESTERS (FALL & SPRING)

FA 19 Student's first semester of enrollment. Student's CGPA falls below 2.0 → Student is on academic probation but can re-enroll in Spring '20.

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- Student achieves 2.0 CGPA → Student is now in good standing and can re-enroll in Fall '20.
- Student does not achieve 2.0 CGPA but meets AE criteria → Student is still on academic probation but can re-enroll in Fall '20.
- Student does not meet AE criteria → Student is still on academic probation but can re-enroll in Fall '20.

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- Student achieves 2.0 CGPA → Student is now in good standing and can re-enroll in Spring '21.
- Student does not achieve 2.0 CGPA but meets AE criteria → Student is still on academic probation but can re-enroll in Spring '21.
- Student does not meet AE criteria → Student is suspended for Spring '21 and there is no appeal for this suspension. Student can re-enroll beginning in Summer '21.

AE Criteria (Must meet one of the criteria below at the conclusion of the current semester of enrollment)

1. Pass at least 12 graded credit hours and earn a 2.4 semester GPA

OR

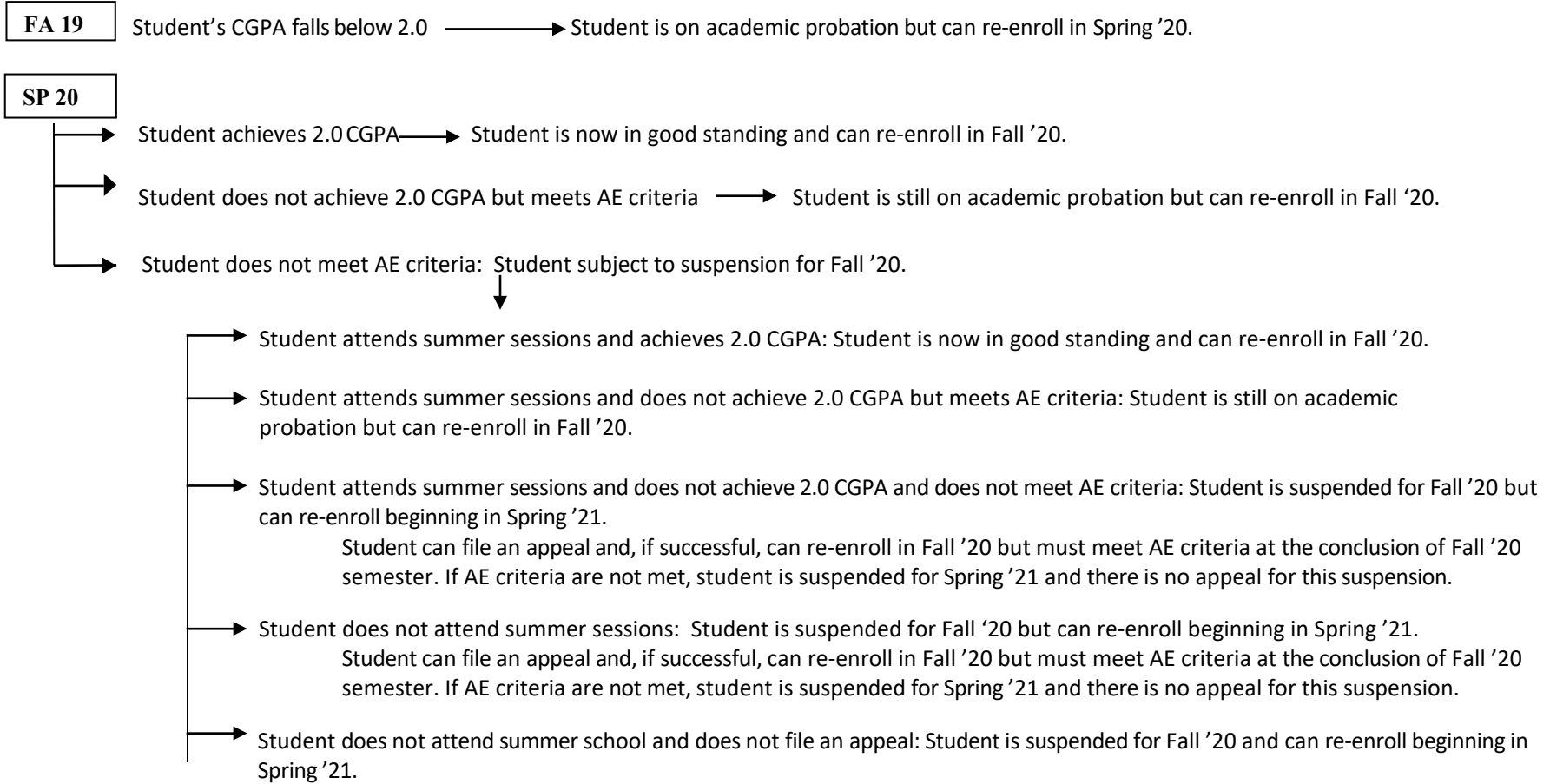
2. Earn minimum cumulative GPA

Total Credit Hours	MCGPA
16-29	1.75
30-59	1.85
60-89	1.95
90+	2.00

OR

3. Earn 2.0 or higher cumulative GPA

POTENTIAL ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY OUTCOMES FOR STUDENTS WHO HAVE COMPLETED THREE OR MORE SEMESTERS (FALL & SPRING)



AE Criteria (Must meet one of the criteria below at the conclusion of the current semester of enrollment)

1. Pass at least 12 graded credit hours and earn a 2.4 semester GPA

OR

2. Earn minimum cumulative GPA

Total Credit Hours	MCGPA
16-29	1.75
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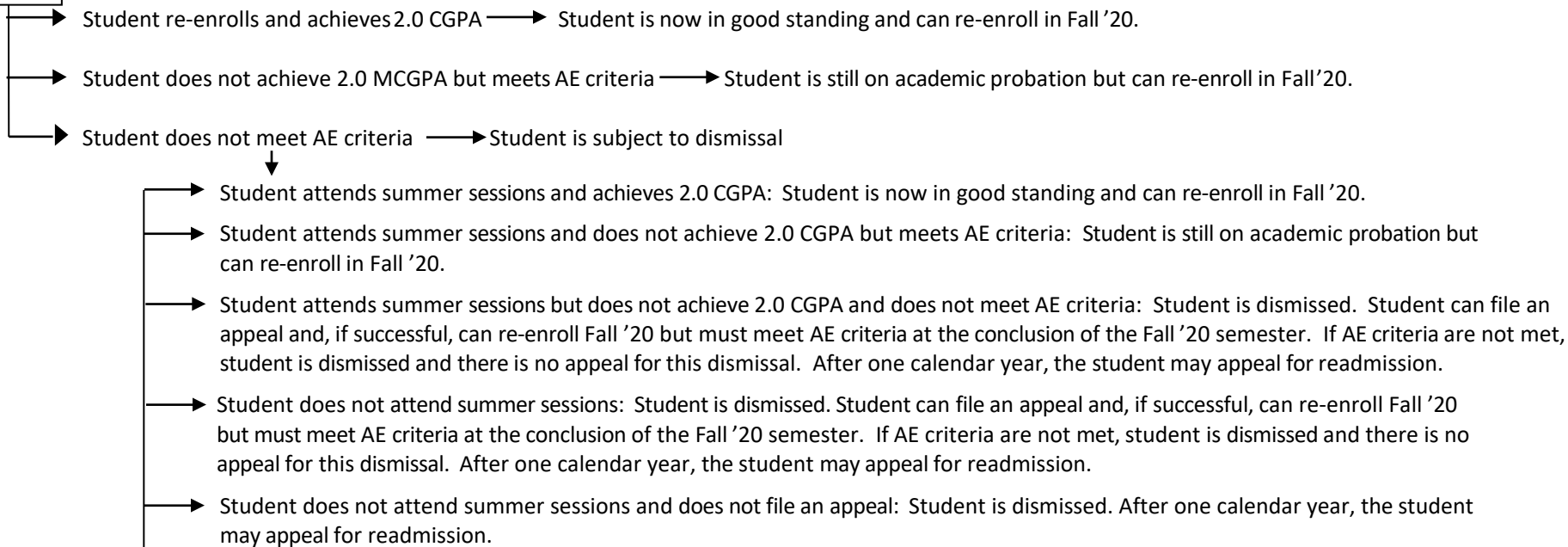
POTENTIAL ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY OUTCOMES FOR STUDENTS SUBJECT TO DISMISSAL

If a student who re-enrolls after suspension does not meet the AE criteria at the conclusion of the current semester of enrollment, the student is subject to dismissal.

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Student suspended for this semester.

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AE Criteria (Must meet one of the criteria below at the conclusion of the current semester of enrollment)

1. Pass at least 12 graded credit hours and earn a semester 2.4 GPA

OR

2. Earn minimum cumulative GPA

Total Credit Hours	MCGPA
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