

MEMORANDUM

TO: Fort Wayne Senate

FROM: Steven Hanke, Chair of the Educational Policy Committee

DATE: 12/11/2023

SUBJ: Change to Academic Regulations 9.4: Notice of Academic probation, dismissal, and readmission

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WHEREAS, the current academic regulation 9.4 articulates criteria for academic probation, dismissal, or readmission; and

WHEREAS, the term dismissal is not viewed as the best term to use as students can reapply to PFW after a specified period of time has passed and is also inconsistent with PWL terminology; and

WHEREAS, the current policy states that students must appeal any academic probation standing with the academic department of their major; and

WHEREAS, the current practice is for Academic Advisors, Department Chairs, and Deans to have an opportunity to “save” students from being placed on the dismissal list; and

WHEREAS, the practices were not consistent from department/unit to department/unit and that could result in inequities between students; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that PFW Academic Regulations 9.4 Academic notice, separation, and readmission be updated with the changes noted on the following pages.

Proposed Changes to PFW Academic Regulations 9.4 (9.0 Academic Standing)

- **9.4:** Academic ~~probation notice~~, ~~dismissal/separation~~, and readmission. The following ~~probation~~Academic notice, ~~dismissal/separation~~, and readmission criteria are minimums for PFW; academic units may set higher standards which shall become effective upon publication in the ~~Bulletin Catalog~~ or its supplement. ~~A student dismissed from a program for failure to meet the higher standards imposed by an academic unit must be accepted in another program before registering for a subsequent academic session.~~
- **9.4.1:** Academic ~~Probation Notice~~. A student shall be placed on academic ~~probation notice~~ if ~~his/her/their~~ fall or spring semester or cumulative GPA at the end of any fall or spring semester is less than a 2.0. A student on academic ~~probation notice~~ shall be removed from that standing at the end of the first subsequent fall or spring semester in which ~~he/she/they~~ achieves semester and cumulative GPA's equal to or greater than 2.0.
  1. IF: Semester GPA or Cumulative GPA is <2.0= ACADEMIC ~~PROBATION NOTICE~~
  2. IF: On academic ~~probation notice~~ and Cumulative GPA is <2.0 but Semester GPA is ≥ 2.0= CONTINUED ~~PROBATION NOTICE~~
  3. IF: On academic ~~probation notice~~ and Semester GPA is <2.0 but Cumulative GPA is ≥ 2.0= CONTINUED ~~PROBATION NOTICE~~
  4. Any grade change due to a reporting error will result in a recalculation of the GPA and determination of ~~probation notice~~ standing.
  5. Academic standing will not be assessed in summer sessions.
  - ~~6. A student who wishes to appeal an academic probation standing should contact the academic department of their major for guidance in the appeal process.~~
- **9.4.2:** Academic ~~Dismissal~~~~Suspension Separation~~. A student on academic ~~probation notice~~ shall be ~~dismissed~~ placed on the ~~suspension/separation list~~ at the close of any fall or spring semester in which ~~his/her/their~~ semester and cumulative GPA is less than a 2.0. ~~Each case will be reviewed by Academic Advisors, Chairs, and Deans. The review will be carried out using shared criteria. If the criteria show reason why a student should be removed from the suspension list, the Chair/Dean will notify the Registrar's office of that decision. Otherwise,~~

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- IF: On academic probationnotice and both the Semester GPA and Cumulative GPA are <2.0=ACADEMIC  
~~DISMISSAL~~SUSPENSIONSEPARATION
- Any grade change ~~due to a reporting error~~ will result in a recalculation of the index and redetermination of the ~~dismissal~~suspensionseparation status.
- A student who wishes to appeal an academic ~~dismissal~~  
suspensionseparation standing should follow the directions provided by the Registrar's office in the Notice of SuspensionSeparation~~contact the academic department of their major for guidance in the appeal process.~~
- **9.4.3:** Readmission. A student who has been ~~dismissed~~suspendedseparated from PFW or from another campus of Purdue University may not enroll at PFW until one fall or spring semester has passed. All readmissions are into probationarynotice status and are subject to stipulations in effect as a condition of readmission. Readmissions shall be reported to the Registrar, and an appropriate entry shall be made on the student's academic record. A student who is academically ~~dismissed~~suspendedseparated more than once for a second time is not eligible to enroll for at least one year.
  - A student ~~dismissed~~suspendedseparated by this policy must apply to the appropriate office or PFW for readmission ~~committee~~. A fee is assessed for processing the readmission application. Readmission is not guaranteed.
  - When a student is suspendedseparated from a program with academic standards higher than the university standards, they may be eligible to continue in another program and are encouraged to seek guidance from their Academic Advisor.