

## Academic Standards – Reference Sheet

### **Academic Probation:**

Each student will be notified of his academic status at the end of each term. Students who do not earn a 2.0 GPA for any given term will be placed on academic probation. Probation students, who are enrolled for 12+ semester credit hours and/or who are seeking a diploma or degree, will be required to enroll in and successfully complete ACA 085 Improving Study Skills, a one semester hour non-credit course. A reduced course load is recommended. Students may not participate in any athletic events while on academic probation.

### **Exceptions to Academic Probation:**

1. Probation students who maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher will not be required to enroll in ACA 085 Improving Study Skills. A reduced course load is recommended.
2. Probation students who have enrolled in and successfully completed ACA 085 during a previous term will not be required to repeat ACA 085. If, upon receipt of grades, a student learns that s/he is on academic probation, s/he must schedule an appointment with his/her advisor/admissions counselor immediately. The purpose of this conference is to assist the student in assessing academic problems and exploring ways of improving the student's academic status. As long as the student remains on academic probation, his/her advisor/admissions counselor will make recommendations concerning the course load for which the student should register.

### **Removal from Academic Probation:**

When a student's cumulative GPA at the end of any semester is a 2.00 or above, he or she is not on academic probation.

### **Continuing on Academic Probation/Suspension:**

If a student has below a 2.0 term GPA for two consecutive terms and an overall GPA of less than 2.0, that student will be suspended from all coursework and all college activities for one term with the exception of enrollment in ACA 085 Improving Study Skills. A student may be considered for re-entrance after one term of suspension by completing a readmission form and having it approved by the department chairperson, an admission's counselor, and the vice president of Student Services. ACA 085 will be required during the term of suspension or the term of reentrance.

### **Exception to Academic Suspension:**

If a student applies to change curriculum programs after two terms with a GPA below 2.0, the probation may be extended for one term. During this probation extension term, the student will be required to enroll in and successfully complete ACA 085. This extension of probation must be approved by the department chairperson of the new curriculum and by the vice president of Student Services. Failure to obtain at least a 2.0 GPA during the subsequent term will result in academic suspension for one term.