

## H. ACADEMIC STANDING

The purpose of probation and suspension is to assure the wisest and most beneficial use of the time and resources of both the student and the institution. It is the general requirement of most four-year institutions that transfer students seeking admission have a minimum overall average of 2.0 (C) for all previous academic work attempted. Darton State College probation and suspension policies must not be construed as being congruent with such policies of all other colleges.

**Academic Warning** - A student will be placed on academic warning if their cumulative GPA drops below the good standing requirement (please see Degree Credit Hours Attempted/Minimum GPA required chart found under Academic Probation.) Following an academic warning, if the student does not meet the specified Credit Hours/GPA requirements, he/she will be placed on academic probation.

**Academic Probation** - Two factors affect a student's academic status. One is the cumulative grade point average (GPA). This is computed by dividing the grade points earned at Darton by the degree credit hours attempted at Darton. Courses which carry no credit or "institutional credit" are not used in the GPA computation. The other factor which affects a student's academic status is the number of degree credit hours attempted at Darton. Only degree credit hours are used to determine a student's academic status. (See also "Semester Credit Hours," and "Grade Point Average Computation")

Students will be placed on academic probation when they have attempted degree credit hours shown in the left column in the following table and have not earned at least the grade point average shown in the right column. For example, students who have attempted 31 credit hours and have a GPA of 1.79 or below will be placed on probation.

DEGREE CREDIT HOURS ATTEMPTED	MINIMUM GPA REQUIRED
0-30*	Not Classified
31-40	1.80
41-50	1.90
51 or more	2.00

*\*Prior to 31 hours, a student will be placed on Academic Warning if their cumulative GPA falls between 0.00 and 1.99.*

**Removal of Academic Probation** - Students will be removed from academic probation when their grade point average is raised to the level specified in the table above.

**Continuation of Academic Probation** - Students who earn a 2.00 GPA during any semester in which they are on probation, but do not raise their cumulative average sufficiently to be removed from probation, will be continued on academic probation.

**Academic Suspension** - Students on academic probation will be suspended for one semester unless

1. They remove themselves from probation, or
2. They achieve a 2.00 GPA for the current semester.

After the first suspension, any subsequent suspension(s) will be for three semesters for each suspension, also called Academic Dismissal.

Credits earned at another institution during a period of suspension may not be subsequently transferred to Darton State College.

Students who re-enroll after a period of suspension will re-enroll on Academic Probation.