



memo

To: Educational Polices Council
From: Therese E. Tillett, executive director of curriculum services
Date: 25 September 2017
Re: Revision of Dismissal, Appeal and Reinstatement policy

In fall 2016, the EPC (October) and Faculty Senate (November) approved revisions to the Dismissal, Appeal and Reinstatement policy, which appears in both the Policy Register and University Catalog. Approved was revised criteria under which an undergraduate student could be dismissed. Effective date was fall 2017.

When the policy proposal was being prepared for the Board of Trustees September meeting, the Office of Legal Counsel requested minor changes as the language and formatting seemed confusing. In addition, Legal Counsel requested the policy include conditions for “academic probation” and “GPA hours,” which were not explained in the policy beyond being used in the criteria for dismissal.

Therefore, administrators from University College, the Office of the Provost and the Office of the University Registrar made the following language and formatting revisions, none of which affects the conditions for dismissal as approved by EPC and Faculty Senate:

APPROVED POLICY

The provost may dismiss a student if any of the following conditions apply to that student:

1. Any student who earns between a 0.000 and 0.500 grade point average (GPA) in the student’s first semester at Kent State.
2. Any continuing student on academic probation who does not achieve a minimum 2.000 semester GPA and has an overall GPA within the following ranges:
 - Between 0.000 and 29.999 GPA hours: below 1.100 overall GPA
 - Between 30.000 and 59.999 GPA hours: below 1.500 overall GPA
 - Between 60.000 and 89.999 GPA hours: below 1.750 overall GPA
 - 90.000 or more GPA hours: below 2.000 overall GPA

(policy continues)

REVISED POLICY

The provost may dismiss a student if any of the following conditions apply to that student:

1. Any student who earns between a 0.000 and 0.500 grade point average (GPA) in the student’s first semester at Kent State.
2. Any continuing student who is:
 - a. Placed on academic probation (0.000 to 1.999 overall GPA) for the last term of attendance at the undergraduate level, and
 - b. Earns between 0.000 and 1.999 semester GPA in the term under review, and
 - c. Earns one of the following:
 - Between 0.000 and 1.099 overall GPA for students with 0.000 to 29.999 GPA credit hours* or
 - Between 0.000 and 1.499 overall GPA for students with 30.000 to 59.999 GPA credit hours* or
 - Between 0.000 and 1.749 overall GPA for students with 60.000 to 89.999 GPA credit hours* or
 - Between 0.000 and 1.999 overall GPA for students with 90.000 or more GPA credit hours*.

* “GPA credit hours” are credit hours earned with a Kent State grade that counts toward the student’s GPA (e.g., 3 credit hours earned with a B grade at Kent State).

(no changes made to the rest of the policy)