Enrollment Status, Academic Progress, and Student Classification

Enrollment Status

A full-time student is one who is enrolled in at least three full courses or their equivalent (12 semester hours). Degree-seeking students are required to be enrolled on a full-time basis during the Advent (fall) and Easter (spring) semesters, even in cases where fewer than 12 semester hours are required to complete degree requirements.

A part-time student is one who is enrolled in fewer than three full courses or their equivalent (fewer than 12 semester hours). Degree-seeking students are not permitted to enroll on a part-time basis during the Advent and Easter semesters, even in cases where fewer than 12 semester hours are required to complete degree requirements.

Academic Progress for Degree-Seeking Students

Degree-seeking students are expected to enroll in four full courses or their equivalent (16 semester hours) and are required to pass no fewer than three full courses or their equivalent (12 semester hours) each semester.

In addition, degree-seeking students must meet the following requirements to be eligible to re-enroll the following academic year:

- After the first two semesters of full-time enrollment, a student must have earned at least 24 semester hours (six full courses or their equivalent) and have a cumulative GPA of at least 1.85.
- In each subsequent two semesters of full-time enrollment, a student must earn at least 28 semester hours (seven additional full courses or their equivalent) and have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.00.

Students who fail to meet these requirements are suspended for one semester on the first occasion, and for two semesters on the second occasion. Such students may apply for reinstatement and, if reinstated, will be required to meet the above standards. Students who fail to meet these requirements for a third occasion will be permanently dismissed. Academic suspensions and dismissals may not be appealed.

Student Classification

A first-year student, or freshman, has earned fewer than 32 semester hours (eight full academic courses or their equivalent).

A second-year student, or sophomore, has earned at least 32 semester hours (eight full academic courses or their equivalent), but fewer than 64 semester hours (16 full academic courses or their equivalent).

A third-year student, or junior, has earned at least 64 semester hours (16 full academic courses or their equivalent), but fewer than 96 semester hours (24 full academic courses or their equivalent).

A fourth-year student, or senior, has earned at least 96 semester hours (24 full academic courses or their equivalent).