

# Satisfactory Academic Progress



## REQUIREMENTS:

### 1 Minimum Pace (Cumulative Completion Rate)

Cumulative successfully earned credits  
÷ Cumulative attempted credits

**Undergraduate/Post Baccalaureate:**  
70%

**Graduate/Doctoral:**  
70%

### 2 Minimum Cumulative GPA

**Undergraduate/Post Baccalaureate:**  
2.0

**Graduate/Doctoral:**  
3.0

### 3 Maximum Time Frame

150% of published program length

**Undergraduate/Post Baccalaureate:**  
180 credits (120 credits\* 150%)

**Graduate/Doctoral:**  
54 credits (36 credits\* 150%)

## Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) -

### STANDARDS FOR FINANCIAL AID RECIPIENTS

Students must maintain satisfactory academic progress (SAP) to remain eligible to receive financial aid. SAP Standards apply to all terms they attend regardless of whether or not they receive financial aid. This policy is separate from Edgewood College's academic standing policy and is monitored at the end of each academic term (summer, fall, spring) when the cumulative completion rate and cumulative GPA will be checked.

## Procedures

At the end of each academic term (summer, fall, spring) the number of cumulative credits successfully completed is reviewed. This number is compared to the number of cumulative credits attempted (based on the # of credits enrolled at the 100% add/drop date). If the student successfully earned at least 70% of the credits attempted and meets the minimum GPA, no further action is necessary and the student remains in good standing.

**Good Standing:** Cumulative completion rate was at least 70% and GPA requirement was met. The student is eligible for aid.

**Warning:** First violation of SAP. The student is placed on warning but will continue to be eligible for aid. However, the student must complete their warning term in good standing to avoid Financial Aid Suspension the subsequent term.

**Financial Aid Suspension:** The second consecutive time a student does not meet SAP. The student will be placed on Financial Aid Suspension and will not be eligible for any future financial aid unless they successfully appeal or successfully regain compliance with SAP requirements outlined above at their own expense (without the use of financial aid). The courses taken must apply toward their degree, be a required prerequisite, or a necessary remedial course.

**Appeal:** Students who are unable to meet satisfactory academic progress for 2 consecutive terms due to special circumstances may submit an appeal letter to Edgewood Central at [ecentral@edgewood.edu](mailto:ecentral@edgewood.edu). Appeals are due two weeks prior to the start of the semester of which financial aid is being sought. Students will receive the results of their appeal via Edgewood College email within one week.

**Reinstatement/Probation:** After Financial Aid suspension, if the appeal is granted, the student is placed on probation and has one term to meet SAP. If it is impossible for them to meet SAP by the end of the following term, they may be required to complete an academic plan.

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## Definition of Terms and Conditions

**Maximum length of time to receive aid:** Federal regulations set the maximum time frame a student may take to complete their educational program at 150% of the published length of the educational program. *Note: Transfer credits from other colleges or universities are counted as attempted hours.*

**Successful completion:** Grades of A through D or P are considered to be successful completion. Any other grade is NOT considered a successful completion.

**Incompletes and not reported grades:** An Incomplete (I) or a Not Reported grade (NR) will not meet satisfactory academic progress. When a student successfully completes the course or the grade is reported, they should notify Edgewood Central for reevaluation.

**Transfer Credits:** All credits earned from other colleges that are accepted by Edgewood College are included in the maximum credits allowed.

**Withdrawn grades:** Grades of W will be counted in the # of attempted credits but will not be counted as successfully completed. Also, if a student completely withdraws or does not complete any credits, i.e. receives all Fs, a Return of Title IV calculation will be required which may result in a balance due to the college.

**Repeated Courses:** If a student repeats a course, credits will be added to their attempted/earned credit totals. However only the most recent grade received in the course will be used in the calculation of their cumulative GPA.

**Remedial Credits:** Remedial credits are included in the calculation of both attempted and earned hours and in determining if SAP GPA requirements were met.

**Changing Majors:** If a student changes majors, the credits they earn under all majors will be included in the GPA calculation as well as the maximum attempted credits and the calculation of credits attempted and earned.

**Degrees:** An extension of the maximum attempted credits requirement may be requested if the student is enrolled in a dual degree program, seeking a second undergraduate or graduate degree, or changing majors. Requests will be evaluated on a case by case basis.

## Satisfactory Academic Progress Examples

	Undergraduate 1	Undergraduate 2	Graduate
<b>Cumulative Earned Hours</b>	24	24	14
<b>Cumulative Attempted Hours</b>	30	48	16
<b>Minimum Pace</b>	$24 \div 30 = 80\%$	$24 \div 48 = 50\%$	$14 \div 16 = 87\%$
<b>Cumulative GPA</b>	3.25	2.75	2.8
<b>SAP Completion Rate %</b>	80% is greater than 70% Status - Good	50% is less than 70% Status - Violation	87% is greater than 70% Status - Good
<b>SAP Cumulative GPA</b>	3.25 is greater than 2.0 Status - Good	2.75 is greater than 2.0 Status - Good	2.8 is less than 3.0 Status - Violation