FLORIDA A&M UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES



NOTICE OF REVISED REGULATION

DATE: June 10, 2016

REGULATION CHAPTER NO.: Chapter 4

REGULATION CHAPTER TITLE: Academic Affairs

REGULATION TITLE AND NUMBER: Levels of Academic Standing for Undergraduate Students (4.012)

SUMMARY OF REGULATION: This revised regulation follows the academic standards of the University and requires the maintenance of grade point averages and reasonable conformance to a program of study. Schools and colleges may choose not to consider students for admission and may deny continuation in a degree program if the students fail to maintain reasonable academic progress, as specified by the college, school or department.

AUTHORITY FOR REGULATION: Section 7, Article IX, Florida Constitution and Board of Governors Regulations 1.001.

UNIVERSITY OFFICIAL INITIATING THIS REGULATION: Marcella David, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs.

PROCEDURE FOR COMMENTS: Written comments concerning this proposed regulation shall be submitted within 14 days of the date of this notice to the person identified below. The comments must specifically identify the regulation you are commenting on.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED REGULATION IS: Marcella David, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, Tallahassee, Florida 32307-3100, (850) 599-3276 (phone), (850) 561-2551 (fax), <u>marcella.david@famu.edu</u>.

FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED REGULATION: The full text of this new regulation follows:

Regulation of Florida A&M University

4.012 Levels of Academic Standing for Undergraduate Students.

This Regulation follows the academic standards of the University and requires the maintenance of grade point averages and reasonable conformance to a program of study. Schools and colleges may choose not to consider students for admission and may deny continuation in a degree program if the students fail to maintain reasonable academic progress, as specified by the college, school or department.

<u>1)</u> Good Academic Standing<u>.</u> Florida A&M University considers a student in good standing if he or she is eligible to continue or to re-enroll at the Uuniversity.

1) occurs when a student's cumulative grade point average (GPA) is 2.0 or above.

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2) Academic Warning. -Academic warning occurs when a new-student's cumulative grade point average (GPA) is below 2.02.0 for the first time during their enrollment. -at the end of the student's first term at the University. A sStudents on Academic Warning will have a hold placed on the student's their registration until he or she they hasve met with an academic advisor and developed evised an academic plan of study to improve their GPA.return to Good Academic Standing at the end of their next enrolled term.

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<u>Academic Probation.</u> Academic Probation occurs <u>W</u>when a continuing (i.e., second term or thereafter at the University) student <u>-who washas been previously been-placed on Academic Warning's fails to achieve a cumulative GPA falls below of 2.0- or greater, or whose cumulative GPA again falls below a GPA of 2.0, the student will be placed on Academic Probation. <u>-A continuing student is a student enrolled in his or her second semester or thereafter at the University.</u> Students who have been placed on Academic Probation may not register for more than fifteen (15) semester hours. <u>In addition, aA hold is placed on their student's registration</u></u>

until the<u>y student</u> ha<u>sve</u> met with an advisor and <u>deviseddeveloped</u> an academic plan of study to <u>improve theirhis or her GPAacademic performance</u>. return to Good Academic Standing at the end of their next enrolled term. A student who is on probation and who²se cumulative GPA does not rise to a 2.0 or above at the end of the semester in which <u>th</u>they are enrolled in will be placed <u>on academic suspension</u>.

<u>4)</u> Academic Suspension and Appeal.

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a. Academic Suspension. - occurs when <u>Aa</u> student on Academic Probation whose -cumulative GPA remains below a 2.0 at the end of the current semester termin which he or she is they are enrolled will be placed on Academic Suspension. A sthe cumulative GPA of a student on Academic Probation is still below 2.0 after the student's next enrolled term. Students on Academic Suspension is <u>are</u>-not in good academic standing at the Uuniversity. <u>TStudents on Academic Suspension cannot re-enroll at the</u> University for at least two (2) consecutive terms, <u>excluding the summer term</u>. <u>he student</u> will receive written notice of the Academic Suspension along with information regarding the Readmission Appeal Process.

b. **Appeals.** Notification of Academic Suspension will accompany a list of extenuating circumstances required to file a readmission appeal with the University <u>Academic Appeals Committee.</u> They <u>A student must file a petition for readmission_prior</u> to the beginning of any term in which they are eligible to return. All <u>petitions for</u> readmission_petitions are forwarded to the University <u>Admissions_Academic Appealss</u> Committee for review. The University Academic Appeals Committee's decision is final. . This committee will recommend approval or disapproval of each petition to the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs. The decision of the Provost <u>Academic Appeals</u> <u>Committee will be final.</u> The Academic Appeals Committee will notify the University Admissions Committee of all readmission appeal decisions.

i. Extenuating Circumstances (Immediate) Appeal. A student may immediately initiate the Readmission Appeal process in certain limited cases as provided in the Notice of Academic Suspension. This option is only available to those students who have extenuating circumstances as outlined in the Notice. <u>ii.</u> **Readmission Appeal.** If a student does not qualify to appeal the academic suspension upon receipt of the notice, or if a student was previously denied an appeal, the student will remain on Academic Suspension. During the student's Academic Suspension, the student will be required to fulfill the following conditions in order to resubmit an appeal:

a. If the petition for readmission is approved, the student is placed back on Academic Probation and is eligible to reenroll at the university. The student must adhere to an individualized academic plan to maintain satisfactory academic progress. If the readmission appeal is denied, the student will remain on academic suspension and will be required to fulfill the following conditions in order to resubmit another appeal:

<u>Suspensionded</u> for at least two (2) consecutive terms semesters, excluding the summer semesters; term;

b. A student must file a petition for readmission prior to the beginning of any semester in which they are eligible to return;

c. Enroll and successfully complete the FAMU online Academic Success Course;

d. Meet with an academic advisor to develop and adhere to an individualized academic plan of study;

e. Have a mathematical possibility of -earning a <u>cumulative GPA</u> of <u>2.0-</u> or <u>greater above in one semester;</u>

<u>f.</u> Oother conditions as may be applicable on a case-by-case basis as identified by the Academic Appeals Committee;- and

g. Any college may specify additional academic standards and students are responsible for observing these regulations.

<u>iii.</u> **Readmission.** If the petition for readmission is approved, the student is placed back on Academic Probation and is eligible to reenroll at the <u>Uuniversity</u>. The student must adhere to an individualized academic plan to maintain satisfactory academic progress.

iv. Colleges, Schools, and Departments. Colleges, Departments and/or Schools may deny continuation in a degree program if the student fails to maintain reasonable academic progress, as specified by the college, school or department.

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Students readmitted from Academic Suspension are placed back on Academic Probation. 4) Students will be placed on Academic Dismissal instead of receiving a second Academic Suspension. (a) Students on Academic Dismissal are not allowed to re-enroll at the University unless they are reinstated. 4.012 Levels of Academic Standing for Undergraduate Students 1 of 2 4. Academic Dismissal. Academic Dismissal occurs when a student who whas previously on Academic Suspension was readmitted but the student failed to maintain a GPA of a 2.0 or greaterbeen denied an appeal from Academic Suspension. Students who have been placed on Academic Dismissal are not allowed to reenroll at FAMU. However, a student who had not earned an Associate of Arts (AA) degree from -unless they have earned an Associate of Arts degree from a Florida Public StateCommunity College Institution(also known as "community college") prior to entering FAMU, has the option of applying for readmission to FAMU by attaining an AA degree at a State College. After successful completion of the AA degree, the student may apply for readmission at FAMU. . This option is not available for students who have already earned an Associate of Arts degree prior to being placed on dismissal. As part of the reinstatement process, students may request that their cumulative GPA be reset after re-entry. The new cumulative GPA will begin immediately upon enrollment after being readmitted. All previous grades will remain on the student's' transcripts; however, they will not be calculated into the student's' cumulative GPA. For honor's purposes, all grades, including grades earned prior to the academic dismissal, will be considered. Students are required to check with the Office of Financial Aid to determine if any additional criteriaon areis required in order to retain/maintain their eligibility for financial aid.

5) Reinstatement after Academic Dismissal

An undergraduate student who has been academically dismissed from the University
may petition to be reinstated after earning an Associate of Arts degree from a
community college. This option is not available for students who have already earned

an Associate of Arts degree prior to being dismissed. As part of the reinstatement,
students may request that their cumulative GPA be renewed after reentry. The new
cumulative GPA will begin immediately upon enrollment after being reinstated. All
previous grades will remain on the student's transcripts however, they will not be
calculated into the student's cumulative GPA. For honors classification purposes, all
grades, including grades earned prior to the academic dismissal, will be considered.
b) After returning to the University, a student must remain in Good Academic Standing
by maintaining a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher. Student petitions for reinstatement
will be considered on a case by case basis by the University Admissions Committee.
All decisions of the Admissions Committee are final. If a reinstated student's
cumulative GPA falls below 2.0, the student will be academically dismissed and is

6) Effective Date. (a) This regulation is effective with the Fall 2014 2016 semester and later cohort of students. Students entering the University prior to the Fall 2014 2016 semester are subject to the Levels of Academic Standing policy in effect at the time of their matriculation.

Specific Authority: Article IX, section 7(c), Florida Constitution, and Board of Governors Regulation 1.001. History: New July 10, 2014. 4.012 Levels of Academic Standing for Undergraduate Students. Amended _______, 2016.