

**BEMIDJI STATE UNIVERSITY
RECORDS AND ADVISING SERVICES**

ACADEMIC PROGRESS POLICY STATEMENT

I. MINIMUM GRADE POINT AVERAGE REQUIREMENT

A student will be suspended if the following grade point average (GPA) is not attained:

<u>Semester Hours Attempted*</u>	<u>Minimum GPA Required**</u>
0-15	1.50
16-30	1.75
31-60	1.90
61 & above	2.00

*Credits transferred from other institutions as well as credits attempted at BSU, excluding repeated credits.

**Cumulated GPA at Bemidji State University (excludes grades earned at previously attended institutions).

II. MINIMUM PERCENT COMPLETION

Effective Fall 2007, a student is required to progress toward the completion of an academic program by successfully completing 67% of all credits attempted at BSU. BSU uses cumulative credits successfully completed, divided by credits attempted at BSU to measure a student's completion percentage. Attempted credits include classes completed with a satisfactory grade, classes with no grade, withdrawal or incomplete grades, and failed classes.

III. PROCESS

Cumulative values are used in determining if academic progress has been met. Students not meeting the minimum grade point average and/or the minimum percent completion requirements will be notified of their academic progress standing. Academic progress standings include Academic Warning, Academic Probation, and Academic Suspension. See below for the criteria for each academic progress standing.

IV. DETERMINATION of ACADEMIC PROGRESS STANDING

ACADEMIC WARNING: Students failing ONLY the percent completion requirement are allowed one academic warning notification and may continue attending BSU. Students failing the percent completion requirement after one academic warning will be suspended and must follow the 'Academic Suspension' policy on the next page.

ACADEMIC SUSPENSION

- **First Time Suspension**

The action taken the first time a student fails the minimum grade point average requirement or the second time a student fails the minimum percent completion requirement depends on the **initial admission status** of the student. Please see the appropriate paragraph based on your initial admission status.

- **Regular Admitted Students** – Regular admitted students have met the university admission requirements. All students who are suspended for the first time shall be readmitted on probation without submitting a petition. This results in an academic progress standing of **ACADEMIC PROBATION**. Students are encouraged to work closely with their academic advisor to discuss academic deficiencies and appropriate subsequent registration.
 - **Admitted on Probation** – Students admitted on probation enter the university with the academic progress standing of **ACADEMIC PROBATION**. All students admitted on probation will be suspended for the minimum time period indicated below. This results in an academic progress standing of **ACADEMIC SUSPENSION**. Students who wish to return following the period of suspension must submit a petition to the Records Office to be reviewed by the Student Programs & Admissions (SPA) Committee.
- **Suspension Following the First Term of Probation** - Students who have already been place on Academic Probation and do not meet the minimum GPA or minimum percent completion requirement will be suspended for the minimum time period indicated below. This results in an academic progress standing of **ACADEMIC SUSPENSION**.

V. PERIOD of SUSPENSION

<u># of Suspensions Following First Term of Probation</u>	<u>Period of Suspension</u>
1	One semester
2	One calendar year
3 or more	Two calendar years

Students suspended from Bemidji State University who wish to return following the period of suspension must submit a petition to the Records Office to be reviewed by the Student Programs & Admissions (SPA) Committee. The petition should include information on the circumstances that affected your past performance and a plan to be successful in achieving future academic goals. Readmission will be considered provided that certain conditions regarding academic deficiencies are agreed to in advance and reflected in the subsequent registration.

Note: Students returning to BSU after suspension shall always be subject to the minimum percent completion rate and GPA requirements stated above. At any time a student falls below the minimum requirements, he/she will be suspended for the minimum time period stated above.