GPA and Academic Standing

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What is your Grade Point Average (GPA)?

- There are a variety of GPAs that the university calculates for students including:
  - Cumulative TAMU-CC/Institutional GPA
  - Semester GPA
  - Transfer GPA
  - Overall GPA
  - Last 60 SCH GPA
  - Major GPA
Calculating Your Grade Point Average

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### Calculating Quality Points

SCH for each class X Grade Points = Quality Points (QPTS)

Ex. COMM 1311 is a 3 SCH course and this student earned a grade of an "A":
3 X 4.0 = 12.0 QPTS

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### Grade points

Each letter grade corresponds to a specific number of grade points

### To Calculate GPA

Divide total quality points by total SCH or QPTS/SCH = GPA

43/13 = 3.307
What is Academic Standing?

- At the end of each semester's grade processing, a semester and cumulative TAMU-CC Grade Point Average (GPA) is calculated for each undergraduate student. Academic standing is based on the semester GPA and cumulative TAMU-CC GPA.
  - Good Standing
  - Scholastic Probation
  - Suspension I
  - Suspension II
  - Dismissal I
  - Dismissal II
What is Good Standing?

- When an undergraduate student’s cumulative TAMU-CC GPA is a 2.0 or higher, the student is in good academic standing.
An undergraduate student is placed on scholastic probation when their cumulative grade point average (GPA) at TAMU-CC falls below a 2.0.
What is Academic Suspension?

- **Academic Suspension I**
  - A student suspended for the first time may not enroll for the next long semester (fall or spring) and any intervening summer sessions.

- **Academic Suspension II**
  - If a student returns from Academic Suspension I and fails to maintain at least a 2.0 semester GPA they will be placed on suspension II. A student suspended for a second time may not enroll for a full calendar year.

- **Dismissal**
  - A third suspension results in dismissal from the university. In most cases, a student who is dismissed from the university will not be readmitted. However, students may petition for a review of their case after a period of two calendar years.
After one or more semesters on scholastic probation, students may:

- **Return to Good Academic Standing** by earning a cumulative TAMU-CC GPA of a 2.0 or higher
- **Remain on Continued Probation** by maintaining semester GPAs of at least a 2.0 while they attempt to raise their TAMU-CC GPA
- **Be placed on Academic Suspension I** if they fail to maintain a semester GPA of at least a 2.0
Can I keep taking classes while on probation?

- Yes, students on scholastic probation may continue to enroll in courses as long as they maintain a semester GPA of 2.0 for all future semesters until they are back in good standing.
- A student will return to good academic standing once their cumulative TAMU-CC GPA is raised to at least a 2.0.
Impacts of Scholastic Probation

- May lose financial aid eligibility
- Additional cost of education
  - Repeating a 3 SCH course would cost at least $1385.65
  - Three-peat Policy
    - Additional $100/SCH fee
  - Excessive hours policy
    - Additional $100/SCH fee
- May change your desired major or career path
- May delay graduation
Strategies to Recover from Scholastic Probation

- Retake classes in which you earned a grade of "D" or "F" ASAP
- Understand the TAMU-CC Course Repeat Policy
- Track your progress in your classes and know how to calculate your grade in each class
- Develop good learning and study habits
- Utilize time management strategies that work for you
- Meet with your professors throughout the semester during their office hours or by appointment
- Utilize CASA, tutoring, supplemental instruction sessions, counseling center, academic advising and other campus resources
Questions?