



Santa Ana College Students on Academic Probation, Fall 2007

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Probation status is assigned and monitored by Admissions & Records at the end of each semester after grades have been given; this becomes the student's probation status for the subsequent semester. Probation status is only assigned to students who have attempted at least 12 units. Based on cumulative GPAs up Summer 2007, 1,850 students who actively enrolled at SAC during Fall 2007 were placed on academic probation.

The college has identified four levels of academic probation:

- **AP:** the first semester that cumulative GPA falls under 2.00 (n=619)
- **AP1:** the second semester that cumulative GPA falls under 2.00 (n=521)
- **AP2:** the third semester that cumulative GPA falls under 2.00 (n=300)
- **D:** dismissal after fourth semester that cumulative GPA is under 2.00 (n=270)

In addition there are two levels of progress probation:

- **PP1:** the first semester that at least 50% of all classes taken resulted in "W" or "NC" (n=106)
- **PP2:** the second semester that at least 50% of all classes taken resulted in "W" or "NC" (n=34)

Summary of Findings:

- 270 students who were designated "dismissed" (D) based on GPA in prior semesters were actively enrolled at SAC in Fall 2007.
- More than two-thirds of SAC students with "AP1" probation status (67%) in Fall 2007 had attempted between 12.0 and 23.9 cumulative units.
- 8% of probationary students were under progress probation and not academic probation. Only 10 of these students had cumulative GPAs under 2.0 as of Fall 2007.
- SAC students on probation were fairly evenly divided among females (49%) and males (51%).
- Latinos accounted for 72% of those on probation during Fall 2007, disproportionately higher than the percentage of Latinos in SAC's student body at large (46%).

Table 1
SAC Student on Probation vs. All SAC Credit Enrollment
Fall 2007

ETHNICITY	% of Students on Probation (n=1,850)	% of SAC Credit Enrollment* (n=27,097)
African-American	2%	2%
Asian/Pacific Islander	8%	13%
Latino	72%	45%
White	12%	31%
Other	3%	4%
Decline to state	2%	5%

Table 2
Grade Point Averages of SAC Students on Probation
Fall 2007

Cumulative GPA	AP (n=619)	AP1 (n=521)	AP2 (n=300)	D (n=270)	Total Academic Probation (n=1,710)	PP1 (n=106)	PP2 (n=34)
Lower than 1.00	1%	23%	21%	13%	13%	0%	0%
1.00 to 1.49	2%	32%	38%	38%	23%	2%	0%
1.50 to 1.74	5%	32%	28%	27%	21%	2%	0%
1.75 to 1.99	75%	7%	8%	11%	33%	3%	9%
2.00 and higher	17%	6%	6%	12%	11%	93%	91%

Table 3
Cumulative Units Attempted by
SAC Students on Probation
Fall 2007

Cumulative Units Attempted	AP (n=619)	AP1 (n=521)	AP2 (n=300)	D (n=270)	PP1 (n=106)	PP2 (n=34)	TOTAL (n=1,850)
< 12 units	0%	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%	<1%
12 to 23.9 units	23%	67%	42%	13%	43%	18%	38%
24 to 35.9 units	24%	16%	29%	34%	24%	29%	24%
36 to 47.9 units	17%	4%	13%	23%	11%	21%	14%
48 to 59.9 units	13%	4%	6%	14%	7%	18%	9%
60 units or more	23%	7%	9%	16%	14%	15%	14%