Rancho Santiago Community College District
ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION
Chapter 4
Academic Affairs

AR 4250 Probation and Dismissal

Reference(s):
Title 5, Section 55030, 55031, 55032, 55033 and 55034

Rancho Santiago Community College District has established the following policy for probation, dismissal and readmission.

A student’s academic standing and progress is calculated at the end of the fall and spring semesters (calculations are not done after the summer session or intersession), based only on the college units and cumulative RSCCD grade point average (GPA). Academic and Progress Probation calculations begin after a student has attempted 12 units or more at both colleges. Students are placed on Academic Probation when their RSCCD Total GPA for all coursework falls below 2.0. Students are placed on Progress Probation when the percentage of coursework from both colleges has an entry of “W”, “I”, “NP”, and “NC” which reaches or exceeds fifty percent (50%) of the coursework attempted.

Academic Probation and Dismissal:

- (A1) Students placed on academic probation for the first time (first semester under a RSCCD Total GPA of 2.0) are required to attend a counseling intervention workshop. An e-mail notification is sent to the student and a registration hold is placed on the student record until the completion of the workshop.
- (A2) Students who have two consecutive semesters with a RSCCD Total GPA below 2.0 will lose priority registration for the next registration opportunity. Their registration date will be after all new applicants.
- (AD) Students who have three consecutive semesters with a RSCCD Total GPA of below 2.0 at the end of the spring semester are dismissed. Students who are dismissed have a hold placed on their records and an e-mail is sent notifying them of their status.
- Students cannot register for classes at either College for one full semester. When students returns after “sitting out” one semester, they will return on academic probation and will continue to lose registration priority until their RSCCD Total GPA is at or above a 2.0.

Students who have three consecutive semesters with a RSCCD total GPA of 2.0 at the end of the fall semester are “subject to dismissal” and a hold is placed on their student record. Since they have already registered for the spring semester they are given a grace period to improve their RSCCD Total GPA. If the RSCCD Total GPA remains below a 2.0 at the end
of the spring semester, they will be academically dismissed and will not be able to register for classes at either College for one full semester.

When they return after “sitting out” one semester, they will return on academic probation and will continue to lose registration priority until their RSCCD Total GPA is at or above a 2.0.

Progress Probation and Dismissal:

- **(P1)** Students placed on Progress Probation for the first time (first semester where the total of W, NP, or I grades is 50% or more of all grades earned) will be notified and provided intervention services.
- **(P2)** Students who have two consecutive semesters of progress probation will lose priority registration for the next registration opportunity. Their registration date will be after all new applicants.
- **(PD)** Progress Dismissal Students who have three consecutive semesters with less than 50% of their coursework earning a grade at the end of the spring semester are dismissed. Students who are dismissed have a hold placed on their records and an e-mail is sent notifying them of their status. A student cannot register for classes at either College for one full semester.

When the student returns after “sitting out” one semester, the student will return on progress probation and will continue to lose registration priority. Students who have three consecutive semesters with less than 50% of their coursework earning a grade at the end of the fall semester are “subject to dismissal” and a hold is placed on their student record. Since the student has already registered for the spring semester, they are given a grace period to improve their course completion rate. If the percentage of completed coursework remains below 50% at the end of the spring semester, they will be dismissed and will not be able to register for classes at either College for one full semester.

When the student returns after “sitting out” one semester, the student will return on progress probation and will continue to lose registration priority. Registration priority shall be lost at the first registration opportunity after a student is placed on academic or progress probation or any combination thereof for two consecutive terms.

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