

Cocurricular Eligibility

1. Purpose of Academic Probation

The purpose of placing a student on academic probation is to help the student reorder his or her priorities and time commitments in the direction of greater emphasis on academic studies, in order to help that student attain the College's minimum standards for satisfactory academic progress as soon as possible.

2. Cocurricular Eligibility during Academic Probation

- a. A student who has been placed on academic probation shall be ineligible for participation in the cocurricular activities noted below, with the only exceptions to be those cases where such participation earns academic credit as a college course and that course meets a graduation requirement for the student's academic major.
- b. Students on academic probation are ineligible for participation in the following cocurricular activities or positions. The person identified in parentheses is responsible for implementing the policy.
 - (1) Intercollegiate athletics and club sports (Director of Intercollegiate Athletics)
 - (2) Theatre productions (Chair/Department of Theatre)
 - (3) Music ensembles (Chair/Department of Music)
 - (4) SGA Officers (Director of Student Leadership Programs)
 - (5) Officers in any SGA chartered organization, including team managers of Outreach Teams (Director of Student Leadership Programs)
 - (6) Music Ministry Teams, whether sponsored through the Admissions Office, Outreach Group, or any other college office or organization (head of sponsoring office or organization)
 - (7) WVMM Radio Station staff (Chair/Department of Communication)
 - (8) Resident Assistants (Associate Dean for Residence Education)

3. Procedures for Implementing Cocurricular Policies

- a. The Registrar is responsible for notifying students of their being placed on (or removed from) academic probation immediately upon completion of the grading process for the period of study leading to such status.
- b. Students placed on academic probation as a result of fall semester grades shall become ineligible for co-curricular participation on the first day of the J/spring semester. Students placed on academic probation as a result of J/spring semester or summer session grades shall become ineligible for participation on the first day of the fall semester. Students who remove themselves from academic probation as a result of fall, J/spring, or summer grades shall become eligible for co-curricular participation as soon as grades are officially recorded for that period of study.
- c. A student who is placed on academic probation may appeal for an exception to this policy on cocurricular eligibility in the same manner that students have the option of appealing the results of any academic policy of the College. The letter from the Registrar notifying the student that he or she has been placed on academic probation shall refer the student to that portion of the Student Handbook dealing with academic appeals, which will indicate that an appeal of co-curricular ineligibility must be sent, in writing, to the Registrar by the end of the first week of the next semester (fall or J/spring), and must be accompanied by letters of recommendation from the student's academic advisor; the person in charge of the relevant co-curricular activity, and the student's Residence Director (if applicable). The Academic Council shall act on the appeal and the decision of the Council shall be final.
- d. Prior to the involvement of any student in any of the activities or positions identified in "Cocurricular Eligibility during Academic Probation," the person identified in "Cocurricular Eligibility during Academic Probation" is responsible for verifying the eligibility of each student interested in participation by checking the academic probation list available in the Registrar's Office.