I. Purpose

To ensure all undergraduate students of the University are meeting acceptable levels of academic achievement and to define the consequences for failure to do so.

II. Policy

Any student classified as a freshman whose Northwest or cumulative grade point average falls below 1.75 on a 4.00 scale is automatically placed on academic probation.

Any student classified as a sophomore, junior, or senior whose Northwest or cumulative grade point average falls below 2.00 is automatically placed on academic probation.

A student on academic probation is limited to 16 academic hours per trimester. This enrollment restriction will apply as long as the student is on academic probation.

A student on probation who falls further behind (i.e., who does not make at least a 2.00 grade point average for any trimester) shall be automatically suspended for two consecutive trimesters. Any student once placed on probation remains on probation until his or her Northwest and cumulative grade point average is at least 2.00.
A suspended student may apply to the Office of Admissions for readmission following his or her suspension period. Any student who has returned on probation following a period of academic suspension or who has been reinstated by the Committee on Admissions and Advanced Standing shall earn at least a 2.00 grade point average each probationary trimester in order to continue as a student. A second suspension will be for three consecutive trimesters. If a student is academically suspended from Northwest or from any other university or college for a total of three times, the student will be dismissed from Northwest.

Students must petition the Committee on Admissions and Advanced Standing for exceptions to the above policies. Petition forms are available in the Office of the Registrar and online at www.nwmissouri.edu/registrar.