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Academic dismissal is considered a permanent separation from the University (not just from a school of the University), ordinarily imposed when there is a poor history and prognosis of academic success. Students may be dismissed from the University if they fail to meet satisfactory academic progress standards within one semester of being placed on probation or fail to observe the restrictions imposed during probation. Students may also be dismissed from the University when they receive failing grades in all credits attempted in any one semester. Academic Dismissal is noted on the student transcript.

A student may appeal a dismissal decision to the dean of the student's school. A written appeal for reconsideration must be submitted to the dean within 14 days of being notified of the dismissal, providing a credible explanation for the student's unsatisfactory academic performance and a compelling reason why the student should not be dismissed. The dean, in consultation with the Provost's Office, will review the appeal and give the student a decision of acceptance or denial within 14 days after receiving the appeal. The dean's decision regarding the appeal is final.

If the appeal is granted, a plan for achieving satisfactory academic progress will be prepared by the dean, with a specific timeline. If a student fails to follow or meet the requirements as outlined in the academic progress plan, they will be dismissed from the University. This decision will be final and not subject to appeal.

After dismissal, students may not reapply to the University until they have been away for at least two years. As part of the reapplication process, students must provide evidence that they are now able to successfully make progress toward their degree. Reapplication does not guarantee admittance to the University. If a student is readmitted after a period of two years and is academically dismissed a second time, the dismissal is final and there is no opportunity to appeal.