Title of Policy: Satisfactory Academic Progress

Policy
Northwest Technical College and Minnesota State Board Policy 2.9, in compliance with Federal and State regulation, require all students to maintain satisfactory academic progress as measured by Grade Point Average (GPA) and percent of courses completed. Individual program majors may have additional requirements for satisfactory academic progress. Satisfactory Academic Progress will be evaluated after every term.

The college will place a student on academic warning if he/she
  o has less than a 2.00 cumulative GPA, and/or
  o has fallen below 66.67 percent of completion of all credits attempted at NTC (cumulative).

At the conclusion of the warning period, if a student has met NTC’s cumulative GPA and percentage completion standards the student will return to good academic standing.

If at the end of a semester a student who has been on warning status has not met both the institution’s cumulative grade point average and percentage completion standards, NTC shall suspend the student and cancel their upcoming semester(s) registration if applicable.

The college will cancel the registration of students placed on academic suspension. They will be notified of this action by the Registrar. The duration of academic suspension is as follows:
  1. First instance: one semester
  2. Second instance: one year
  3. Third instance: two years

Students wishing to appeal academic suspension must follow the academic appeals process. Students placed on academic suspension may not be eligible for financial aid, even if their academic appeal is successful and they are reinstated. Reinstated students who wish to appeal financial aid eligibility must follow the financial aid appeal process.

Students with an approved appeal will be placed on academic probation. While on probation status, 100% term completion and a minimum 2.25 term GPA must be achieved each semester until the minimum cumulative requirements are met.

Purpose
To ensure that students continue to make satisfactory academic progress toward their degree.

Responsibility
The table below describes responsibilities for this policy:

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<td>Registrar</td>
<td>Notify via email students that they are placed on academic warning or suspension.</td>
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Supporting References
Listed below are college document(s) that support this policy:

Compliance References:
Listed below are references to compliance requirements (e.g. MN State policy, federal regulations).