PROBATION, DISMISSAL, AND READMISSION

Reference:  
*Education Code Section 70902 (b) (3);  
Title 5 Sections 55030 - 55034*

**Probation** - Probation is a system of monitoring student progress in order to: (1) Identify students who are experiencing difficulty in making satisfactory progress toward an appropriate educational objective; and, (2) Encourage those students to re-evaluate their goals and commitment to college. The two types of probation are:

1. **Academic Probation** - A student shall be placed on academic probation if the semesters or cumulative grade point average is less than a "C" (2.0)

2. **Progress Probation** - A student shall be placed on progress probation if he or she has enrolled in a total of at least 12 semester units and the percentage of all units in which the student has enrolled, for which entries of “W,” “I,” “NC”, NP,” and “F” were recorded reaches or exceeds 40 percent.

A student who is placed on probation may submit an appeal in accordance with procedures to be established by the Academic Senate and Student Affairs.

**Removal from Academic Probation** - A student shall be removed from academic probation when the student’s cumulative grade point average and the most recent semester GPA is 2.0 or higher.

**Removal from Progress Probation** - A student shall be removed from progress probation when the percentage of units in the categories of “W,” “I,” “NC,” “NP,” or “F” is less than 40 percent of total attempted units.

**Dismissal** – Dismissal is a policy of forced interruption in attendance at Southwestern College intended to assist students in reevaluating their educational goals.

1. **Academic Dismissal** - A student who is on academic probation shall be subject to dismissal if, a) the student has earned a cumulative grade point average of less than 2.0 in all units attempted or, b) in the two most recent consecutive semesters. A student whose semester Grade Point Average equals or exceeds 2.0, but whose overall Grade Point Average remains below 2.0, shall remain on Academic Probation.
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2. Progress Dismissal - A student on progress probation who does not complete 60% of units with passing grades of “A,” “B,” “C,” “D,” or “Cr/P” in the subsequent semester will be subject to dismissal.

Students seeking readmission after dismissal shall follow Procedure 4255.