

SCHOLASTIC STANDARDS

Undergraduate Earned Credit Semester Standing

The University of Connecticut charts a student's educational progress by semester standing based on earned credits rather than the traditional designations of first-year student, sophomore, junior, and senior. However, semester standing may be related to these traditional terms. Standing is based on earned credits, not on numbers of semesters attended. Courses in progress are not counted. Standing is advanced after minimum credits indicated on the Semester Standing chart have been earned.

Traditional	Semester Standing	Earned Credits
First-Year	1	0 - 11
	2	12 - 23
Sophomore	3	24 - 39
	4	40 - 53
Junior	5	54 - 69
	6	70 - 85
Senior	7	86 - 99
	8	100+
	9	117 - 133 (Pharmacy)
	10	134+ (Pharmacy)

Academic Notice and Dismissal

Academic notice and dismissal from the University for academic reasons will be administered by the Vice Provost for Academic Affairs, at the recommendation of the schools and colleges or regional campuses, in accordance with the regulations that follow:

Academic notice serves as an identification of students whose academic performance is below University standards. The student and their academic advisor are informed that a marked academic improvement in future semesters is necessary to meet the university's minimum academic standards.

Students are placed on academic notice for the next semester in which they are enrolled if they have earned less than a 2.0 semester grade point average (GPA) or cumulative GPA.

The following conditions apply to any student placed on academic notice:

- Any student placed on academic notice because of a semester or cumulative GPA less than 2.0 is removed from academic notice when both the semester and cumulative GPA reaches 2.0 or above, and academic standing is updated (fall or spring semesters only).
- A student who fails to meet these minimum academic standards for two consecutively registered academic semesters (fall and spring semesters only) is subject to dismissal.
 - However, no student with at least a 2.3 semester GPA after completing all courses for which they are registered at the end of a semester is subject to dismissal; the student will be continued on academic notice if such status is warranted, until both the semester and cumulative GPAs are at least 2.0.
- Students who are subject to dismissal but who, for extraordinary reasons, are permitted to continue by the Vice Provost for

Academic Affairs, may be subjected to other mandatory academic conditions for their continuance.

Incomplete and Absent grades ('I', 'X', and 'N') do not represent earned credit. A student in the academic standing process with unresolved grades is returned to good standing if completion of the work places their academic performance above the University's minimum standards.

Academic standing is calculated only for fall and spring semesters; no student is assigned an academic standing for summer or winter sessions.

- Summer and winter courses can impact a student's prior semester GPA when a course is taken for repeat forgiveness and the new course grade replaces a previous grade for the same course.
- Summer and winter coursework can impact a student's cumulative GPA.

When a student is dismissed from the University for academic reasons only, any certificate or transcript issued must contain the statement "Dismissed for academic deficiency but otherwise entitled to honorable dismissal."

Dismissal involves non-residence on the University campus and loss of status as a candidate for a degree effective immediately upon dismissal.

Students who have been dismissed may request an evaluation for readmission during a later semester to the University. Students wishing to return to UConn, whether at Storrs or a regional campus, must apply for readmission through the Dean of Students Office. The Dean of Students Office, in consultation with deans' designees, will conduct a holistic review of each application. Readmission will be considered favorably only when the evaluation indicates a strong probability for academic success. In their first regular semester after readmission, dismissed students will be continued on an academic standing of "academic dismissal" and will be subjected by the Vice Provost for Academic Affairs to other conditions for their continuance. Students who have left the University for a reason other than academic dismissal are readmitted under the same academic standing status as designated at the time of their separation from the University.

Students who are dismissed from the University for the first time may, upon approval, matriculate no sooner than one academic semester (fall or spring) following dismissal, in accordance with the University's readmission process and deadlines. Students who are dismissed from the University for the second time may, upon approval, matriculate no sooner than four semesters following dismissal. No student will be readmitted to the University after a third dismissal. All readmitted students remain on academic notice with their respective academic standings (notice, subject to dismissal, dismissed) until both their semester and cumulative GPA are 2.0 or above. Students must follow the catalog requirements for the semester of their readmission.

Leave of Absence

A leave of absence is a special status assigned to students who have been granted permission by the Dean of Students Office or designee to interrupt their studies and resume them in a subsequent semester specified by mutual agreement. A leave of absence is granted in conjunction with a Voluntary Separation (usually a cancellation). Leaves are not granted for more than three full semesters or to students who wish to interrupt their studies for less than one full semester.

Requests for leaves are considered only after the student has personally consulted a representative of the Dean of Students Office or designee and frequently a representative of the student's school or college. Leaves are granted only to students in good academic standing and who know the specific semester in which they plan to return. Students on academic notice or who have outstanding incomplete work are seldom granted a leave of absence.

Cancellation and Withdrawal

Students may voluntarily leave the University through one of two possible actions - cancellation of registration or withdrawal. Both actions are finalized in the Dean of Students Office. A personal interview with a staff member in the Dean of Students Office, would be appropriate for any student considering voluntary separation. The interview may help the student realize alternatives and/or options which would allow the student to continue at the University. If a personal interview is not desired, or not possible, written notice must be given to the Dean of Students Office. No student is considered officially separated and no refunds of fees or deposits can be made unless the student has contacted (interview or letter) the Dean of Students Office.

Cancellation

Students presently enrolled may cancel their registration for the subsequent semester, while planning to complete the current one. Students may also cancel their registration during the summer and midyear vacations if they do not intend to return for the following semester. Cancellations must take place prior to the first day of classes of a semester. The date of cancellation will not appear on the student's official transcript.

Withdrawal

To withdraw officially means to voluntarily terminate enrollment during a semester which is in progress. Students may withdraw between the first day of classes and the last day before finals week begins. (See the University Calendar for dates.) Students who officially withdraw will not receive credits, grades, or "W's" for courses taken during the semester. Only the date of withdrawal will be entered on the student's official transcript. Students who merely leave the University or stop attending classes, without officially withdrawing, should expect to receive Fail "F" grades in all courses in which they are registered at the close of the semester other than those for which grades have previously been submitted.

No student who withdraws after the end of the sixth week of a semester will be permitted to register for a subsequent semester without the permission of the Dean of Students Office or designee. It is understood that when such permission is sought the Dean or designee will ascertain the standing of the student at the time when he or she withdrew. For purposes of application for readmission such students shall be treated as a dismissed student if his or her standing at the time of withdrawal is such that if it were continued to the end of the semester he or she would then be subject to dismissal.

All students withdrawing from the University for any reason must complete the proper forms through the Dean of Students Office or designee. If the withdrawing student lives on campus s/he must also complete the proper forms through the Residential Life Office.

University Suspension or Expulsion

University suspension or expulsion may be incurred as a result of unsatisfactory conduct. Students who are suspended or expelled are not entitled to any refund of University fees including room and board fees.

University Suspension

Separation from the University for a designated period of time after which the student shall be eligible to apply for readmission to the University. Readmission to the University is not guaranteed. Conditions for consideration of readmission may be specified. A student's reacceptance into his/her school or college is at the discretion of the school or college. A student who is on suspension is prohibited from participating in any University activity or program. The individual may not be in or on any University owned or leased property without securing prior approval from the Director of Community Standards or designee. A notation of "Suspension" shall be placed on the student's official transcript until graduation. However, the student may petition the Director of Community Standards for earlier removal of the notation upon completion of the suspension. The University of Connecticut will not accept credits earned at another institution during a period of suspension.

University Expulsion

Permanent separation from the University. A student who has been expelled is prohibited from participating in any University activity or program. The individual may not be in or on any University owned or leased property. A permanent notation of "Expulsion" shall be placed on the student's transcript.

For complete rules, regulations and procedure consult Responsibilities of Community Life: The Student Code.

Readmission

All students seeking readmission to the University, including those seeking readmission to regional campuses must apply through the Dean of Students Office.

If a student is applying to be readmitted for a fall semester, it is strongly encouraged that the student submit a completed application between December 1st and January 15th. These applications will be given priority review in March. Applications that are received between January 15th and July 1st may not be reviewed until July.

If a student is applying to be readmitted for a spring semester, it is strongly encouraged that the student to submit a completed application between August 1st and September 15th. These applications will be given priority review in October. Applications that are received between September 15th and December 1st may not be reviewed until December.

The attention of such students is called to the following University regulations:

1. A student who wishes to apply toward a degree credits earned more than eight years before graduation must obtain permission from the dean of the school or college concerned and the Office for Undergraduate Education.
2. All readmitted students (except those who are on an official leave of absence returning to their previous school or college) must satisfy the academic requirements of the school or college to which readmitted as stated in the catalog effective at the time of readmission unless a subsequent catalog is elected.

3. Undergraduate students who have been separated from the university for at least eight consecutive semesters may be eligible for academic renewal upon readmission. Questions about this should be directed to the Dean of Students Office.

A student in good standing who leaves the University at the end of a semester and is out of residence for one or more semesters may re-enter at the beginning of any later semester upon application to the Dean of Students Office or designee. The attention of such students is called to the fact that special permission is needed to count courses taken more than eight years before graduation.

Supplementary Scholastic Standards

In addition to the minimum scholastic standards described above and applicable to all University students, there may be additional requirements. Refer to specific information in the description of each College, School, and program.