ACADEMIC STANDING

Good academic standing in a degree program requires a minimum 3.00 cumulative grade point average (CGPA) for all courses taken for graduate credit, whether or not they are required for the degree. Good academic standing is necessary to transfer course work and to graduate.

Should the degree students' CGPA for courses fall below a 3.00 (including graduate level and prerequisite courses that are taken after being admitted to the program), a letter will be sent from the Registrar's Office placing the student on academic warning*. A student placed on academic warning must restore the CGPA to at least a 3.00 within 9 graded, graduate units. The 3.00 CGPA may be restored by repeating courses or by taking additional courses. With written approval from the graduate program director, the student may use a maximum of two courses beyond those required in the degree to raise the CGPA.

Once the CGPA is restored to 3.00, the student must maintain a minimum CGPA of 3.00 throughout the remainder of the program. If the CGPA falls below 3.00 again, the student will be academically dismissed from Towson University and will not be eligible to reapply to the same program.

All requirements for the program must be completed within the time limitation policy. A student on academic warning who does not restore the CGPA to 3.00 within 9 graded, graduate units, or who does not maintain a minimum CGPA of 3.00 for the remainder of the program after returning to good academic standing, will be dismissed from the degree program.

*Eligibility for housing, financial aid, and participation in intercollegiate athletics will be determined by the appropriate departments according to their established criteria.

Admission To Second Program After Academic Dismissal

A student academically dismissed from a degree program is not eligible to re-enter the same program or enroll in courses as a non-degree student, but may apply to another degree program. To be eligible for admission to the second program, the student must meet all current university and program requirements. A student who is admitted to a second degree program after dismissal, will be admitted conditionally to the second program regardless of the undergraduate GPA that was used for being admitted to the first program.

A student academically dismissed from a degree program must obtain written approval from the new program director and the program admissions committee to be eligible to apply a maximum of 12 units from the first program into the second program for courses where a grade of B or higher was earned.

Students who are entering a new program after dismissal and are not applying any of their course work earned while in the first program can request to have their cumulative statistics reset for their new graduate career by making the request directly to the Registrar's Office. No additional admission requests will be accepted from a student academically dismissed from two programs.