Degree Planning

Changing Curriculum or Major

A student's freedom to change their major, and the procedure that should be followed, depend on the student's academic standing and on policies of individual colleges as approved by the provost.

1. If students are not on academic probation (P) and have never been dismissed and reinstated, they may change their major by consulting first with their adviser. If, however, they have been on academic probation in the past, students are subject to regulation 4 below. Procedures for changing curriculum or major are as follows:
   1. If the change involves majors within the same college, they should check work with the college office to obtain instructions as to how to make the change.
   2. If the change involves majors in different colleges, they should obtain a Change of Curriculum/Major form and their file from their adviser, present these materials to the student services office of their present college, then to the student services office of the college to which they are transferring, and finally to the office of their new major.
2. Students on academic probation (P) must first obtain permission to enter the new major. Permission comes from the dean of the college responsible for that major in consultation with the department head. If permission is granted, students should then follow the procedures described above. If they are on academic probation and want to transfer to another college in the university, they must do so before the last day to drop a course in period 2 (see Making Schedule Changes)—may be restricted by rules outlined in the section on Additional Academic Standards Regulations.
3. Students who have been reinstated may not transfer to another college within the university during the first term following reinstatement, and they may not at any time transfer back to the college that originally dismissed them without the permission of the academic standards committee of that college.
4. Students who transferred from one college to another while on academic probation, (P) may not transfer back unless they have the permission of the academic standards committee of the college from which they originally transferred.
Progress and Probation

Additional Academic Standards Regulations

Changing colleges: A student on academic probation (P) may transfer to another college within the university only with the permission of the department chair of the new department and the dean of the new college before period 3 begins (e.g., before the last day to drop a course.) For students on academic probation (P), transfer during period 3 (i.e., after the last day to drop a course) can only occur under exceptional circumstances and with the approval of may be approved by the department chair of the new department and the dean of the new college only under exceptional circumstances.

A student who has transferred from a college while on academic probation (P) cannot transfer back unless permission is granted by the academic standards committee of the original college.

A student who is in dismissal status at the end of spring and chooses to exercise the Summer Option may not change colleges during the summer.

Withdrawal: A student on academic probation (P) who withdraws during period 3 will be academically dismissed at the end of the term the student withdraws, except under extenuating circumstances as judged by the college academic standards committee.

Reinstated students: Reinstated students should also see the section on Reinstatement.

Veterinary Medicine: Additional rules for minimum satisfactory progress are in effect.

Special (nondegree) students: Students matriculated in this classification category are governed by the regular academic progress regulations. Furthermore, by special action of their college academic standards committee, additional standards may be required.