



Academic Dismissal/Reinstatement Frequently Asked Questions

Why am I on academic probation/plan/dismissal with my GPA?

The first semester where the **cumulative** GPA drops below 2.0 will lead to you being put on **academic probation/plan**. Your academic plan requires you to earn a 2.0 **semester** GPA in each of the following semesters until your cumulative GPA is back up to a 2.0.

Earning less than a 2.0 **semester** GPA in any semester while on academic probation/plan will result in **academic dismissal** at the end of the semester.

You can appeal your academic dismissal by submitting a reinstatement request. The reinstatement request is due right after grades are posted on your EMU academic transcript, so always check for the published submission deadline! All official links and information are sent via email from Records and Registration after grades are posted at the end of the semester.

Obtaining a 2.0 cumulative GPA will put you back into **good academic standing**.

What's the difference between semester GPA and cumulative GPA?

Semester GPA is the average of all courses taken in one semester. Cumulative GPA is the combined average of all EMU semester GPAs.

I just received an academic dismissal email from Records and Registration. What is the academic standing review committee looking for in my reinstatement request?

They are looking for an explanation of situations that impacted your grade point average as well as how you plan to return to good academic standing. Good academic standing means that your cumulative GPA is at or above a 2.0.

What kind of documentation do I need?

Documentation should be from professional sources. Letters of support should be primarily from professionals or relevant experts and should be written on letterhead especially for the purpose of this reinstatement request. Teachers, counselors, employers, and academic or student support advisors may provide a letter of support. It's important to establish an objective view of the circumstances. All

letters must be signed by the person who wrote them. Letters from friends and relatives are typically not sufficient if they are the only source of documentation.

What happens if my reinstatement request is not approved and my dismissal is upheld?

When a reinstatement request is denied, or if you choose not to submit one, you must sit out of EMU for one academic year. Another reinstatement request should be submitted for the semester you wish to return (must be 12 months after your final semester was completed).

Can I appeal the decision of the committee?

No, the committee's decision is final and cannot be appealed.

I was academically dismissed, my reinstatement request was approved, and I will be taking courses from EMU again. What happens if I don't get a 2.0 semester GPA next semester?

If you were academically dismissed and then returned to EMU through a successful reinstatement request, you will continue to be on academic probation/plan and required to follow an academic plan each semester until you are back in good standing with a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher. You are required to achieve a 2.0 semester GPA while on your academic plan or you will be dismissed again.

Do I need to change my classes now that I'm on an academic plan?

In some cases it's helpful to retake a failed course right away. You should reach out to your college advisor to talk through their situation. College advising offices:

<http://www.emich.edu/uacdc/advising/college-advising.php>.

Additional Questions?

Video: [EMU Academic Reinstatement Application Instructions](#)

Schedule an advising appointment with your college advisor:

<http://www.emich.edu/uacdc/advising/college-advising.php>.

Email: reinstatement_requests@emich.edu