

Board Policies

STUDENT

433.00 SATISFACTORY ACADEMIC PROGRESS (SAP)

Cowley College recognizes the need to provide financial assistance to qualified students. Federal regulations require students to make "Satisfactory Academic Progress" (SAP) in order to receive federal aid. This includes Pell Grant, SEOG, Work Study, and Direct Loans.

SAP progress of all students will be measured at the end of each semester, Fall, Spring, and Summer. SAP status will be evaluated based on cumulative hours attempted and completed, grade point average (GPA), and the maximum timeframe allowed for the degree or certificate in which the student is enrolled. Max time frame is 150% of a programs' required hours for completion – the Max Timeframe for an Associate's Degree is 95 credit hours.

A student must successfully complete a minimum of 67% of all cumulative credit hours attempted. This percentage is calculated by dividing the total number of credit hours successfully completed by the total number of credit hours attempted. In addition, students must maintain a cumulative grade point average of 2.00.

A class that is a DROP (D) – those classes that are removed from your record and charges refunded to you – will not count as part of your hours attempted.

A class that is a WITHDRAW (W) – those classes you drop AFTER the refund period, but the corresponding charges remain on your account – WILL count as part of your hours attempted each semester.

A class that has an Incomplete (I) grade present on the student's record at the time of review will be calculated as attempted hours with an "F" grade. Any changes in a grade will be included in the next formal evaluation period but will not change the current SAP status.

Notification of a change in your SAP status will be sent in writing to the student's school issued e-mail within 15 days after the last day of each semester or the latest ending class to which the student was enrolled.

This policy is implemented through AP 433 - Satisfactory Academic Progress Procedure.

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