

Academic Action Notice: Undergraduate Dismissal

Dear student:

You have been placed on Dismissal as a result of your cumulative grade point average (GPA). Failure to maintain an acceptable cumulative GPA and the existence of at least two previous suspensions on your record mean that the Dismissal notation has been placed on your grade report and transcript. If you have not seen your grades, go to Patriot Web and select “Student Services and Financial Aid,” then “Student Records.”

In order to succeed academically, students must maintain a minimum 2.0 cumulative GPA, which is also the requirement for graduation. Note that dismissal results from a third suspension. The cumulative GPA range at which suspension/dismissal status is in effect varies according to the student’s Credit Level. For additional information on academic standing, exit this document then select “Retention Standards and Determining Your Credit Level”.

International students in F-1 or J-1 status should contact the Office of International Programs and Services immediately at (703) 993-2970 to discuss the effects of dismissal on your legal status.

Dismissal from the university is normally considered to be permanent. However, the University Catalog includes specific information as to the exceptional circumstances in which an undergraduate student may be approved to return from dismissal.

It is also possible that a change of grade may change your status from dismissal to either warning or probation, in which case the 13 hour rule continues to apply, but you would be eligible to re-register and attend the next semester. Should that happen, you and your advisor may want to consider how the repeat policy may help you to regain a cumulative GPA of at least 2.0. Re-registration in courses previously dropped because of dismissal status will be on a space-available basis.

If you believe this letter was sent to you in error, or if you wish to appeal the dismissal, you must contact your Dean’s office. When you exit this document, you may select a list of “University Deans and Directors.”

Sincerely,

Susan H. Jones, George Mason University Registrar