Satisfactory Academic Progress For Law Students

Federal Title IV student aid recipients must maintain satisfactory academic progress. In order to continue to be eligible to receive assistance, Law Students must achieve and maintain a 2.00 cumulative grade-point average. The cumulative GPA is based on course work at The University of Mississippi only.

Law students are no longer eligible to receive aid once they have attempted 120 total hours.

Satisfactory academic progress is checked at the end of each spring semester. Students failing to meet the standard are placed on financial aid suspension beginning with the summer term. Students placed on financial aid suspension are ineligible to receive any federal student aid as well as some forms of institutional aid. Students placed on financial aid suspension will be notified of said suspension by email at the student university email address within five business days of final grade postings.

Students who fail to maintain satisfactory academic progress may submit an <u>appeal</u> online to the Office of Financial Aid citing any special or mitigating circumstances they believe should be considered. Students submitting successful appeals are placed on financial aid probation and allowed to receive federal student aid for one semester. Each successful appeal includes academic requirements that must be met to receive aid beyond the one semester. Students on financial aid probation will have their terms reviewed immediately upon final grade posting at the end of each term and will be notified of the outcome of their probation by email at the student university email address within five business days of final grade postings.

A student who has been denied probation by the committee can request an in-person hearing to petition for reinstatement. Although there is no set limit on the number of semesters in which a written appeal may be submitted, only one in-person hearing will be allowed for a student. Students denied aid for failure to meet these satisfactory academic progress requirements may re-establish eligibility once they meet the requirements.

Scholarship and state grant programs have differing requirements for continuing eligibility. Contact the Office of Financial Aid for specific criteria.

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