

During their senior year, all students must complete 3-6 credit hours of a senior capstone experience (typically specified by the student's major department).

Service/Experiential Learning Requirement:

In addition to the 37 credit hour requirement outlined above, all students are required to complete 50 hours of service/experiential learning prior to the senior capstone experience.

Mathematics and Freshman Proficiency:

All Freshman students are required to demonstrate proficiency in mathematics and English composition by their performance on proficiency examinations completed prior to the start of the first semester of coursework. Freshman students who do not meet Freshman proficiency competency requirements in English composition and/or mathematics must successfully complete UNST 103 (Basic Writing) and/or MATH 099 (Intermediate Mathematics) with a passing grade before being allowed to enroll in any University Studies Foundation courses.

COURSE CREDIT BY EXAMINATION

Credit may be earned by examination for any undergraduate course for which a suitable examination has been adopted or prepared by the department granting the credit. The student receives the grade "CE" and regular credit for the number of hours involved. However, the credit hours are excluded in computing the student's grade point average.

Credit may also be granted for the successful completion of standardized tests under the College Level Examination Program (CLEP) as approved for specific courses by University departments. There is no maximum amount of credit that a student may earn, but a student must complete a minimum of three semesters as a full-time student in residence at the University. Fees for CLEP and other standardized examinations are determined externally, rather than by the University. These credits are treated as transfer credits. Questions about the program may be addressed to the Director of Admissions or the Director of Counseling Services.

(Grading System)

Grades are assigned and recorded as follows:

Grade	Description	Quality Points
A	Excellent	4
B	Good	3
C	Average	2
D	Below Average, but passing	1
F	Failure	0
I	Incomplete	
CE	Credit by examination	
AP	Advanced placement	
S	Satisfactory	
U	Unsatisfactory	
AU	Audit	
W	Withdrew	
P	Passing	

Standards of Academic Standing

Students are considered to be in good academic standing if they meet the following minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) criteria:

Credit Hours Attempted at NC A&T SU plus Credit Hours Transferred	Minimum Grade Point Average
1 – 12	1.60
13 – 24	1.75
25 – 36	1.90
37 or more	2.00

The University, on the recommendation of a student's major academic area, reserves the right to deny enrollment to any student, even if the grade point average meets the minimum standards listed above, if it is apparent from the student's academic record that the student is not making satisfactory academic progress toward meeting the required graduation requirements for their major.

ACADEMIC WARNING

A student who earns a mid-term grade of D or F will be sent an **academic warning** notice from the Office of the Registrar. While being placed on **academic warning** does not become a part of the student's permanent record, the student is warned that failure to meet the minimum standards as defined above by the end of that semester may result in academic probation, suspension or dismissal.

ACADEMIC PROBATION

A student will be placed on academic probation when they fail to meet the cumulative grade point average listed above at the end of the academic semester.

Terms of Academic Probation:

- A. Students placed on academic probation are required to enroll in and pass the Academic Skills Course (0 credit, graded Pass/Fail) conducted by the Center for Academic Excellence. Failure to participate in this course will result in immediate academic suspension.
- B. Students on academic probation must earn a minimum 2.00 semester GPA each semester to be eligible to continue to enroll until good academic standing is restored.
- C. In consultation with their academic advisors, students on academic probation must develop an academic plan of action for each semester they are on academic probation. The student, the academic advisor, the academic unit's retention coordinator and the Office of Enrollment Management will receive copies of the academic plan of action for information purposes and for monitoring compliance.
- D. Students on academic probation shall be limited to a maximum of 15 credit hours per semester in the fall and spring semesters. Students on academic probation may enroll in a maximum of 7 credit hours per session during the summer semesters. Students on academic probation must consult with their academic advisor in choosing classes and credit hour loads.

Students are expected to be aware of their academic standing at all times and are responsible for knowing whether or not they are on academic probation.

ACADEMIC SUSPENSION

A student will be placed on academic suspension for one semester if they fail to earn a 2.00 semester GPA each semester of the academic probationary period.

Students placed on academic suspension are denied permission to enroll for the next regular fall or spring semester, whichever comes first. Suspended students may enroll in the summer semester for a maximum of 7 credit hours per summer semester. After a one-semester suspension, students may apply for readmissions to the University. The student's academic department and college/school must approve the readmission. Students must be accepted into an academic department in order to be readmitted after academic suspension. During the readmission process, students may simultaneously seek and execute a change of major. Such a change of major and the student's readmission must be supported by the student's new academic department. Students are advised to begin the readmission process/change of major with their academic department and college/school prior to the University's posted application deadline. If readmitted, the student will return in an academic probation status, which will be maintained until the student achieves good academic standing. In consultation with their academic advisor, students on Academic Probation after Suspension must develop an academic plan of action for each semester they are on academic probation after suspension. The student, the academic advisor, the academic unit's retention coordinator and the Office of Enrollment Management will receive copies of the academic plan of action for information purposes and for monitoring compliance.

Suspended students wishing to appeal their academic suspension may appeal in writing to the Dean of their academic unit (for undecided students, the Director for the Center for Academic Excellence) by the appeals deadline in the academic calendar. Academic suspension appeals are considered where circumstances beyond a student's control interfered with the student's academic progress. An appeal of academic suspension should include: a) academic term of academic suspension for which the appeal is being made; b) an explanation of the circumstances that interfered with academic performance; c) supporting documentation of the circumstances that merit the appeal; d) how the circumstances that generated the poor academic performance have been resolved; and e) the student's plans for ensuring satisfactory academic progress in the coming academic semester should the appeal be approved. Academic suspension appeals will be reviewed by the Dean's Office (or, in the case of undecided students, the Director's Office for the Center for Academic Excellence). Students will be notified of the decision on the appeal in writing. If an appeal of academic suspension is approved, the student will return in an academic probation after suspension status, which will be maintained until the student achieves good academic standing.

An academically suspended student who has not been enrolled at North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University for at least 5 years (10 consecutive fall and spring semesters) may be eligible for one readmission under the "Five Year Readmission Policy" described below.

ACADEMIC DISMISSAL

Academic dismissal will occur when a student returns after a one semester suspension, or a successful appeal after suspension, and fails to achieve a minimum 2.00 semester GPA while on academic probation after suspension. Students who have been academically dismissed cannot enroll at North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University.

One year after an academic dismissal, a student may apply for readmission to the University. The student's academic department and college/school must approve the readmission. Students must be accepted into an