

# Academic Eligibility

Continued enrollment at Virginia Tech is a privilege granted so long as the student is making satisfactory progress toward attaining a degree, maintaining the required minimum Grade Point Average (GPA), and complying with all policies outlined in the *Student Code of Conduct*.

Students who maintain the required minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.00 are considered to be in good academic standing with the university and are eligible for continued enrollment at Virginia Tech. Students on academic probation and warning are eligible for continued enrollment (absent any violations of policies outlined in the *Student Code of Conduct*).

**Academic Warning:** Students earning less than a 2.00 term GPA, but with a cumulative grade point average of 2.00 or higher, will be placed on academic warning without notation on the academic transcript. Students on academic warning will be required to consult with the appropriate undergraduate assistant or associate dean of their college and to sign an academic contract. Failure to complete an action plan (academic contract) may result in prohibition from future enrollment(s).

**Academic probation** is imposed when a student's cumulative GPA is less than 2.00 and a notation will be placed on the academic transcript. Academic probation is lifted when their cumulative GPA is at least 2.00. Academic performance will be reviewed at the end of each regular semester (fall and spring).

A student on **probation:**

1. may take no more than ~~15~~ **16** credits per major semester (fall or spring), 12 credits during summer, or 3 credits during winter; semester;
2. may be required (at the discretion of individual colleges) to consult with an academic advisor regularly and to sign an academic contract acknowledging their performance is not meeting university standards and stating what actions they are committed to taking to improve academic performance.

**First suspension** will be imposed when a student on academic probation has a cumulative GPA less than 2.00 for two consecutive semesters (Fall and Spring) of enrollment. A student must earn a minimum of a 2.50 term GPA for each (Fall and Spring) semester or raise their cumulative GPA to a 2.00 to avoid being placed on academic suspension.

**First Suspension:** A student who is placed on first academic suspension at the end of a fall or spring semester will be suspended from continued enrollment through the end of the subsequent fall or spring semester. **Note:** Students placed on first academic suspension at the end of fall semester are eligible to return the subsequent first summer, second summer, or fall semester.

A student must earn a minimum 2.00 semester GPA the first semester back and raise their cumulative GPA to at least 2.00 by the end of the second semester back or earn a minimum 2.50 semester GPA for every subsequent semester following the suspension until their cumulative GPA is 2.00 or greater. A student will be placed on **second academic suspension** for failure to meet these minimum performance requirements upon their return.

**Second Suspension (Fall):** A student who is placed on second academic suspension at the end of a fall semester will be suspended from continued enrollment through the end of the following fall semester. **Note:** Students placed on second academic suspension at the end of fall semester may **not** enroll in the immediately following summer sessions.

The School of Education is accredited by the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP), and all programs are approved by the Virginia Board of Education. Graduates may qualify for an educator license or endorsement in other states.

More information can be found on the School of Education, Office of Academic Programs website

(<https://liberalarts.vt.edu/departments-and-schools/school-of-education/support-offices/office-of-academic-programs.html>).

## Transfer Work while on Suspension

A student may ~~not~~ receive credit for course work taken at another college or university during any period in which the student has been placed on academic suspension by Virginia Tech. A student may NOT receive credit ~~Tech~~ for course work taken at another college ~~academic~~ or university during any period in which the student has been placed on suspension for disciplinary reasons.

~~reasons:~~

## Undergraduate Taking Graduate Courses

Undergraduate students may enroll in graduate-level course work in the senior year, provided they have an overall GPA of 3.0 or above and the written approval of the department head and the Graduate School. To enroll in graduate-level course work, the undergraduate student must apply to the Graduate School as a dual registrant. Each term that a student is dually enrolled, he or she must fill out a form in the University Registrar's Office to indicate which courses are being counted for undergraduate credit and which for graduate credit. If graduate courses are used to satisfy undergraduate degree requirements, they cannot be used to satisfy any advanced degree requirements at Virginia Tech. Students may not concurrently have dual status while enrolled in an Undergraduate Dual status.

Graduate courses may not be taken without prior written approval from the Graduate School.

## Accelerated Undergraduate/Graduate Degree Status

High achieving and talented seniors may apply for Accelerated status. The minimum admission requirements are:

- An advisor for the proposed accelerated program
- Listing of courses for use on the plan of study
- Minimum grade point average of 3.3
- Some programs may include additional requirements

The Accelerated Undergraduate/Graduate Degree status allows students with specific qualifications to allow certain courses to count toward both the undergraduate and graduate degree:

- No more than twelve (12) credit hours may be used.
- All courses must be at the 4000 level or higher.
- No more than six (6) credit hours may be used at the 4000 level.
- A grade of B or higher must be earned in each course. No courses may be taken pass/fail.

## University Enrollment and Academic Progress

### Registration Procedures