Advising Students on Academic Probation Resources

1. **Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA):** Students have the right to protect their information. The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, or FERPA, is the United States federal law that protects the privacy of student records. Students grant access to parents/guests to their educational records through the Guest Access Portal. More information can be found here: [Guest Access Portal](#).

2. **Grade/Course Policies**
   - **Withdrawal Policy:** The number of course withdrawals a student is permitted is limited to 16 credits and the deadline for withdrawal from courses and the university are consolidated to single deadline during 9th week of classes. Students should consider many factors before withdrawing from one course, all courses, or withdrawing from the university. Please refer students to the Withdrawal Advisor in the Dean of Students. More information can be found here: [Withdrawal Services](#).
   - **Grade Replacement Policy:** Students may replace up to two courses (8 credit hours maximum) for grade replacement. More information can be found here: [Grade Replacement Policy](#).

3. **Academic Standing Policy:** A policy that defines Academic Standing, including “Good Academic Standing,” “Good Academic Standing Warning,” “Academic Probation,” and “Academic Suspension.” Students must maintain a cumulative 2.0 GPA and a cumulative two-thirds ratio of earned to attempted hours to be in Good Academic Standing. Students who earn a 2.3 semester GPA but do not attain a 2.0 cumulative GPA will continue on Academic Probation and avoid suspension. More information can be found here: [Academic Standing](#).

4. **Frequently Asked Questions about Academic Suspension:** A list of common questions about Academic Suspension, including “How do I get suspended?” and “Can I appeal the suspension?” is available at: [Academic Suspension FAQs](#).

5. **Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) for Financial Aid:** All students who wish to remain eligible for federal financial aid must maintain certain standards of Satisfactory Academic Progress. The SAP standards involve a minimum cumulative GPA, a minimum completion hour rate, and completion of a degree within a maximum number of credit hours. Note the SAP appeal deadlines. More information can be found here: [Satisfactory Academic Progress](#).

6. **Undergraduate Student Readmission Information:** Students that are placed on Academic Suspension can apply for readmission. More information can be found here: [Readmission Information](#).

**Additional Resources**

- University of South Carolina: [University Advisement Center](#)
- Georgia Tech: [Center for Academic Success](#)
- Texas A & M University: [Academic Success Center](#)
- NACADA Clearinghouse: [Students on probation resource links](#)