

Satisfactory Academic Progress

Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) refers to the policies that require students to meet certain standards to be eligible to continue enrollment and receive financial aid. The information provided in this section details more information on the SAP policies and procedures to be able to maintain eligibility.

SAP is calculated for undergraduate students and for financial aid purposes at the end of the Spring semester (May). All students who fail to meet SAP requirements have the opportunity to submit an appeal to continue enrollment and/or for financial aid eligibility for a subsequent term.

More information about Satisfactory Academic Progress, including the appeal process and criteria, is available on the Student Services Center website (<https://studentservices.ncsu.edu/your-degree/academic-progress/>).

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All undergraduate students, regardless of when they first enrolled in NC State University, will be subject to the Progress Toward Undergraduate Degree (<https://policies.ncsu.edu/regulation/reg-02-05-03/>) regulation.

Undergraduate and Agricultural Institute (AGI) students must be enrolled in a minimum of 12 credit hours per term to be considered full-time. Undergraduate students are encouraged to enroll in at least 15 hours per term in a degree-granting major to remain on track to graduate.

Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) for undergraduate students is evaluated annually at the end of the Spring semester (May).

Undergraduate and AGI students must meet the following standards for continued enrollment:

- Successfully complete at least 2/3 of all attempted hours*
- Maintain an academic standing that allows for continued enrollment. Students must maintain a cumulative GPA of at least 2.0 or be on Academic Warning or Probation in order to be eligible to continue enrollment. View more on Academic Standing here (<https://studentservices.ncsu.edu/your-degree/academic-progress/academic-standing/>).

Undergraduate and AGI students applying for financial aid must also meet the standards outlined by the Satisfactory Academic Progress for Financial Aid Eligibility Policy (<https://studentservices.ncsu.edu/your-money/financial-aid/eligibility/>).

*Attempted hours = All hours attempted toward the degree

*Completion rate = Hours Completed/Hours Attempted

All students are subject to the academic standards as set forth by the Department of Registration and Records, the Graduate School and the College of Veterinary Medicine.

All financial aid applicants are subject to the Eligibility for Continued Receipt of Financial Aid regulation (REG 02.70.02) (<https://policies.ncsu.edu/regulation/reg-02-70-02/>) in order to be eligible for receipt of financial aid.

Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) will be evaluated annually at the end of each Spring semester (May).

Undergraduate and Agricultural Institute (AGI) Students

All Undergraduate and AGI students are subject to the Progress Toward Undergraduate Degree (REG 02.05.03) (<https://policies.ncsu.edu/regulation/reg-02-05-03/>) and the Continuation of Undergraduate Enrollment (REG 02.05.01) (<https://policies.ncsu.edu/regulation/reg-02-05-01/>) regulations. More information is available here (<https://studentservices.ncsu.edu/your-degree/academic-progress/ugrd/>).

Undergraduate and AGI students applying for financial aid must also meet the following standards in addition to the standards to undergraduate continuation standards:

- Successfully complete at least 2/3 of all attempted hours
- Maintain a minimum cumulative 2.0 Grade Point Average (GPA)
- Graduate or be able to graduate before attempting more than 150% of the hours required for the degree program (e.g. maximum time frame of 180 hours for a 120-hour degree program.)

Graduate Students

All graduate students are subject to the Academic Difficulty (<https://policies.ncsu.edu/regulation/reg-02-45-01-academic-difficulty/>) and Time Limit for Completion of Graduate Degree (<https://policies.ncsu.edu/regulation/reg-02-25-10/>) regulations.

Graduate students applying for financial aid must also meet the following standards:

- Successfully complete at least 2/3 of all attempted hours
- Maintain a minimum cumulative 3.0 Grade Point Average (GPA) and not be placed on an Academic Probation or a Terminated-Reinstated status
- Graduate before exceeding the maximum time frame

Professional Students

All Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM) professional students are subject to the academic standards established by the College of Veterinary Medicine.

DVM students applying for financial aid must also meet the following standards:

- Successfully complete at least 2/3 of all attempted hours
- Maintain a minimum cumulative 2.0 GPA
- Graduate before exceeding the maximum time frame of 6 years

Non-Degree Studies (NDS) Students

All NDS students are subject to the Non-Degree Studies Enrollment (<https://policies.ncsu.edu/rule/rul-02-66-03/>) rule.

NDS students applying for financial aid must also meet the following standards:

- Successfully complete at least 2/3 of all attempted hours
- Maintain a minimum cumulative 2.0 GPA
- Complete coursework or program before exceeding the maximum time frame as set in the Non-Degree Studies Enrollment (<https://policies.ncsu.edu/rule/rul-02-66-03/>) rule.

For more information on Satisfactory Academic Progress for Financial Aid Eligibility, including reinstatement of eligibility and how to appeal for eligibility, visit the Student Services Center website (<https://studentservices.ncsu.edu/your-money/financial-aid/eligibility/progress/>).

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