

SECTION 800.18

GRADE POINT AVERAGE AND ACADEMIC PROGRESS

1. All students must meet or exceed the following cumulative grade point average standards to remain a student in good standing:

<u>Period of Enrollment</u>	<u>Cumulative GPA</u>	<u>Term GPA</u>
End of first semester	1.50	1.50
End of second semester	1.60	1.50
End of third semester	1.75	1.50
End of fourth semester	2.00	1.50

2. Students who fail to maintain the above minimum cumulative grade point average will be placed on probation for the following semester of enrollment. A student on probation will generally be restricted to twelve (12) credit hours and will be assisted by an advisor to determine an appropriate schedule of classes. A student who fails to maintain the minimum cumulative grade point average for two (2) consecutive grading periods will be suspended for one semester, subject to student appeal. A student wishing to re-enroll after a period of suspension from this College or from any institution of higher education must petition for conditional reinstatement.
3. Failure to meet minimum grade point standards may affect financial aid eligibility.
4. Academic Forgiveness Policy

A former student who has not been in attendance at LRSC for four (4) or more years, but who is presently enrolled at LRSC, may request to exclude for GPA calculations all grades earned in selected semesters completed at LRSC prior to the four-year interval.

The following criteria must be met by the student:

- a. The student must be currently enrolled in class(es) at LRSC at the time the request is made.
- b. The student must have completed a minimum of 12 semester hours in one term or in consecutive terms (summer sessions excluded) with a minimum GPA of 2.25 immediately prior to the request.
- c. A student may exercise this option only one by submitting a written request to the Registrar. All academic work would continue to be shown on the student's transcript, but the entire semester(s) would be removed for GPA purposes. None of the credits earned in the excluded semester(s) can be used to satisfy any academic or graduation requirements. Once a semester(s) has been excluded, it can never be reinstated on the student's academic transcript at a later date.