Academic Standing Policy

Academic standing at Northeastern University is determined by a student's cumulative grade-point average.

Academic probation is a period of time when a student must address and remediate academic deficiencies.

Full-time Students

Full-time graduate students are expected to maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.000 or higher each term to remain in good academic standing and to progress toward graduation.

Students falling below a cumulative GPA of 3.000 are placed on academic probation for each academic term in which the cumulative GPA is below 3.000 after the completion of at least 8 semester hours. Full-time students must raise the cumulative GPA to 3.000 or higher after completion of at least 8 additional semester hours to regain good academic standing status.

Part-time Students

Graduate students in official part-time status with the university are expected to maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.000 or higher each term to remain in good academic standing and to progress toward graduation.

Students falling below a cumulative GPA of 3.000 after at least 8 semester hours are completed are placed on academic probation. Part-time students must raise the cumulative GPA to 3.000 or higher after completion of at least 8 additional semester hours to regain good academic standing status.

Summer Term

There are three semesters during the summer session: Summer First Half, Summer Second Half, and Summer.

Academic standing for the summer terms will be reviewed and evaluated for all students at the end of the Summer Second Half. If students complete fewer than 8 semester hours during any of the summer semesters combined, their academic standing is evaluated after the completion of at least 8 semester hours.