TO: University Curriculum Committee  
FROM: College of Graduate Studies  
RE: Regulation L  
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L-1. Academic Standing for Undergraduate Students. Students are considered to be in good academic standing when they have a semester and a UI cumulative grade-point average of 2.00 or higher.

L-2-a. At the end of a semester, undergraduate students who do not attain a UI cumulative grade-point average of 2.00 are placed on academic probation for the next semester of enrollment and are referred to the appropriate academic dean for advising. The effect of this probationary status is to serve notice that if a student's cumulative record at the end of the next semester in residence is unsatisfactory he or she will be disqualified and ineligible to continue at UI. Students in their first semester of college who achieve less than a 1.0 grade point average at the end of the semester will be placed on first academic disqualification rather than probation (see L-4-a).  
L-2-b. Students on academic probation who attain a UI cumulative grade-point average of 2.00 or higher are automatically removed from probation.  
L-2-c. Students on academic probation who attain a semester grade-point average of 2.00 or higher during the next or subsequent semester after being placed on probation, but whose cumulative grade-point average is still below 2.00 remain on academic probation.  
L-2-d. Because final grades for a probationary term may not be available until after a student has registered for an ensuing term, such registration must be considered tentative until the student's academic standing may be determined. If the student is disqualified at the end of the probationary term, the registration for the ensuing term is invalid and will be cancelled unless the student is reinstated (see L-4).

L-3. Academic Disqualification for Undergraduates.  
L-3-a. Students in their first semester of college who achieve less than a 1.0 grade point average at the end of the semester will be placed on first academic disqualification.  
L-3-b. Students on academic probation with less than 33 cumulative net credits will be disqualified if their semester grade-point average falls below a 2.00 and their UI cumulative grade-point average falls below a 1.80. Students in this group with a semester grade-point average below a 2.00 and a UI cumulative GPA between 1.80 and 1.99 will remain on probation.  
L-3-c. Students on academic probation with 33 or more cumulative net credits will be disqualified at the end of a probationary semester if both their UI cumulative grade-point average and their semester grade-point average are below 2.00.  
L-3-d. To reregister after being academically disqualified, students must be reinstated. (Students must contact their respective college, prior to the beginning of the semester, for the deadline to petition for reinstatement.)  
L-3-e. Because final grades for a probationary term may not be available until after a student has registered for an ensuing term, such registration must be considered tentative until the student's academic standing may be determined. If the student is disqualified at the end of the probationary term, the registration for the ensuing term is invalid and will be cancelled unless the student is reinstated (see L-4).

L-4-a. After a first academic disqualification, students may be reinstated (i.e., have their eligibility to continue restored) by petition to and favorable action by the college in which they are enrolled OR by remaining out of UI for at least one semester. Summer does not qualify as a one semester absence.  
L-4-b. After a second academic disqualification, students may be reinstated at any time only by petition to and favorable action by the college in which they are enrolled.  
L-4-c. Students academically disqualified for a third time may be reinstated only after successful petition to the college in which they are enrolled and the Academic Petitions Committee.  
L-4-d. Students who have been reinstated may continue to register on probation so long as they attain a 2.00 or better grade-point average for each semester following a disqualification.  
L-4-e. Students who are academically disqualified and reinstated are reinstated on academic probation.

L-5. Academic Warning for Undergraduates. Students not on probation who attain a grade-point average below 2.00 during a given semester without dropping below a UI cumulative grade-point average of 2.00 receive an academic warning. Although this does not affect their academic standing or their eligibility to register, the students are referred to the appropriate academic dean for advising.

L-6. Summer Session. Academic disqualification at the end of a spring semester does not affect a student's eligibility to continue in the immediately ensuing summer, but to register in any subsequent term the student must be reinstated. Academic standing is not computed at the end of summer session.
L-7. **Fresh Start.** Qualified undergraduate students who wish to reenter the university in a specific degree program after a period of absence will be allowed a "Fresh Start" as described below.

L-7-a. To qualify for a Fresh Start, students (1) must not have been enrolled in any college or university as a full-time matriculated student for at least the five years immediately before applying for the program, (2) must have a UI cumulative GPA of less than 2.00, and (3) must be approved for the program by the college dean that administers the academic program they wish to pursue.

L-7-b. Once the student has completed an additional 24 credits of course work with a Fresh Start cumulative GPA of at least 2.00 and has been in the program at least two semesters, the cumulative GPA will be reset to 0.00 as of the time of admission to the Fresh Start Program.

L-7-c. Students in the Fresh Start Program will be allowed a maximum of six credits of "W" during the first two semesters after admission to the program. If the Fresh Start is successfully completed, the count for the 20-credit limit on withdrawals (see C-2 on page Error! Bookmark not defined.) will be reset to 0 as of the time of admission to the Fresh Start Program.

L-7-d. University probation and disqualification regulations apply throughout the Fresh Start process.

L-7-e. To graduate with honors, a student in the Fresh Start Program must have at least 56 credits in UI courses after the Fresh Start (see K-1 on page Error! Bookmark not defined.). Fresh Start Program participants are eligible for the dean's list (see K-2 on page Error! Bookmark not defined.) on a semester-by-semester basis.

L-7-f. Application forms and explanatory materials are available at the Registrar's Office.

L-8. **Academic Standing for Graduate Students.** Graduate students are considered to be in good standing when they have a semester and cumulative grade-point average of 3.00 or higher. Regulation L does not apply to graduate or law students. See the College of Graduate Studies section for information on probation, disqualification, and reinstatement of graduate students. See the College of Law Announcement for information for law students.

L-9. **Academic Probation for Graduate Students.**

L-9-a. A graduate student is placed on academic probation after any semester or summer session in which a GPA of less than 3.00 is earned in courses placed on the graduate transcript, regardless of the student's cumulative GPA.

L-9-b. Graduate students on academic probation who attain a semester and cumulative grade-point average of 3.0 or higher are automatically removed from academic probation.

L-9-c. Graduate students on academic probation who attain a semester GPA of 3.00 or higher during the next or subsequent semester or summer session after being placed on probation, but whose cumulative GPA is still below a 3.00, will remain on academic probation.

L-10. **Academic Disqualification for Graduate Students.** A graduate student will be disqualified if a semester GPA of less than 3.00 (regardless of cumulative GPA) is earned on courses placed on the graduate transcript during the second, consecutive semester or summer session.

L-11. **Academic Reinstatement for Graduate Students.**

L-11-a. A graduate student may be reinstated after disqualification under the following conditions: the student may not enroll as a graduate student for at least one semester (fall or spring), must get the positive recommendation of his or her program's administrator, and must gain approval from the College of Graduate Studies.

L-11-b. Reinstatement is granted for a specific semester only and the student must enroll in that semester.

L-11-c. The student must receive a term GPA of at least 3.0 the first semester back in the College of Graduate Studies.

L-11-d. A reinstated student will be placed on probation if their cumulative GPA is below a 3.00.

L-11-e. A reinstated student will be disqualified after the second consecutive term where a 3.0 GPA was not achieved (see L-10).

L-12. Regulation L does not apply to law students. See the College of Law Announcement for information for law students.