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| South Dakota Board of Regents | |
| Temporary Academic Probation & Academic Suspension Policies | |
| <i>Temporary Policy Exceptions in Response to COVID-19</i> | |
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| Universities: | Black Hills State University, Dakota State University, Northern State University, South Dakota School of Mines & Technology, South Dakota State University, University of South Dakota |

1. This policy creates a temporary exception to sections of [Policy 2:10 Grades and Use of Grade Point Averages](#) related to academic probation and academic suspension for undergraduate students.
2. No undergraduate students will be placed on academic probation or academic suspension as a result of grades earned during the Spring 2020 semester. This policy has also been extended to now include Fall 2020 semester. This includes letter grades, Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory (S/U) grades, and any other grades identified in Board Policy 2:10.
3. For Spring of 2020, undergraduate students who received letter grades instead of S/U grading during the Spring of 2020 under alternate grading policy are eligible for removal from academic probation if their GPA meets the standards for “good academic standing” established in Policy 2:10 (Section 4).

| Class | Credit Hour Range | GPA Standard |
|-----------|-------------------|--------------|
| Freshman | 0 - 29.99 | 1.8 |
| Sophomore | 20 - 59.99 | 1.8 |
| Junior | 60 - 89.99 | 2.0 |
| Senior | 90+ | 2.0 |

4. Undergraduate students who entered the Spring 2020 and/or the Fall 2020 semester on academic probation but do not earn a GPA needed to receive good academic standing shall remain on academic probation. This applies to students who receive letter grades, S/U grades, or a combination of letter and S/U grades. Only letter grades calculate into the student’s GPA, including for purposes of calculating academic standing.
5. Graduate and professional students shall remain under the current institutional and program policies identified in their university’s catalogs.