



ACADEMIC STANDING

A Look at our students who are underperforming

What is Academic Standing?

- Academic Probation has now been renamed Academic Notice
- The status of overall coursework within the San Mateo Community College District
- Every student 's academic standing is determined by:
 - A cumulative grade point average (GPA): a sum of all coursework attempted and completed
- There are 4 different types of Academic Standing
 - **Good Standing**
 - minimum 2.0 GPA, 51% course completion
 - **Academic Notice 1**
 - below minimum 2.0 GPA, below 51% course completion
 - Low GPA, Progress, or Both
 - **Academic Notice 2**
 - below minimum 2.0 GPA, below 51% course completion
 - Low GPA, Progress, or Both
 - **Subject to Dismissal**
 - After 2 subsequent semesters of either/both low GPA or Progress
 - Cumulative total units has been enrolled where W, I, NP have been recorded reaches or exceeds 50%

Shifting the mindset

- Introducing the shift from “Academic Probation” to “Academic Notice,” highlighting the importance of language in fostering an antiracist mindset. By reframing terminology, we seek to reduce stigma, encourage resilience, and support students in achieving academic success.

Why is Language Important?

- **Reduces Stigma**

- Shifting from probation to notice helps eliminate negative connotations, creating a more supportive environment for students facing academic challenges.

- **Aligns with district antiracist policy**

- A shift in new language that emphasizes the District's commitment to racial equity and antiracist transformation.

- **Encourages Student Engagement**

- A positive shift in terminology may increase student willingness to access support services, engage with counselors, and seek help without fear.

Introducing “Academic Notice”

- Over the past few years, a few CCCs and CSUs have been changing the academic standing terminology from “Probation” to “Academic Notice”
- Language matters. We decided this is better for our students also.
- Board policy and Administrative policy changes have been
- approved and will be updated.
- Chancellor’s Cabinet has approved the use of this language in the interim
- Banner will soon be updated to reflect the new Academic Standing language
 - ACADEMIC NOTICE 1
 - ACADEMIC NOTICE 2
 - SUBJECT TO DISMISSAL

SMCCCD Timeline

- **November 2023:** Webinar on name change motivated staff to revisit the name change
- **April 2024:** Was declined by VP Council to move forward due to not getting ahead of any upcoming Title V changes on the topic
- **August 2024:** 2nd reading completed and moved to DPGC for first reading
- **October 2024:** Approved as Interim BP/AP
- **December 2024:** VC of Ed Services approves name change
- **January 2025:** Notifications of Academic standing are reflected in using new terminology
- **Spring Semester 2025:** Success Coordinators plan to present at various division meetings to share name change

Looking at Cañada Students

- Number of students on Academic Probation: **447**

AN1GPA	162
AN1P	37
AN1GPAP	18
AN2GPA	60
AN2P	9
AN2GPAP	9
DISMISSEDGPA	81
DISMISSEDP	8
DISMISSEDGPAP	26
REINSTATED GPA	26
REINSTATEDP	9
REINSTATEDGPAP	2

ANG1GPA	Latinx	125
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AN1P	Latinx	21
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AN1GPAP	Latinx	12
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AN2GPA	Latinx	43
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AN2P	Latinx	5
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AN2GPAP	Latinx	4
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DismissedGPA	Latinx	60
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DismissedP	Latinx	3
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DismissedGPAP	Latinx	14
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ReinstatedGPA	Latinx	19
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ReinstatedP	Latinx	6
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