Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP)

Various federal and state regulations governing student financial assistance require that an institution develop standards to measure academic progress toward a degree, certificate, or certification. When you apply for financial aid you will be monitored for Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) whether or not financial aid was applied for or received during any academic period in which you were previously enrolled.

You will not be eligible for financial assistance if you do not meet the SAP requirements by the end of any term at UNT.

Requirements of Satisfactory Academic Progress

Qualitative Requirements of Satisfactory Academic Progress
The minimum cumulative UNT grade point average for undergraduate students is 1.8 for the first term of enrollment and a 2.0 for all subsequent semesters. The minimum cumulative UNT grade point average for graduate students is 2.67 for the first term of enrollment and a 3.0 for all subsequent semesters.

Pace of Progression Requirements of Satisfactory Academic Progress
You must successfully complete at least 67% of your cumulative attempted credit hours. Attempted hours include repeated, failed, incomplete, withdrawn from, and transfer credit hours.

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\text{Pace} = \frac{\text{Cumulative # of hours successfully completed}}{\text{Cumulative # of hours attempted}}
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Maximum Hour Limit
You must not have registered for, earned, or attempted more than a specific cumulative maximum of semester hours at any institution of higher education as an undergraduate. The current maximum is 150% of the student’s required degree plan. For graduate programs, the maximum timeframe cannot exceed 150% of the published length of the program as measured by the number of terms at UNT.

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\text{Hours required for degree} \times 150\% = \text{Maximum hours allowed for financial aid}
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Appeal Process

If you fail to meet SAP standards and consequently lost financial aid eligibility, you may submit a written appeal with supporting documentation for reinstatement of financial aid eligibility if you had mitigating circumstances, including:

- Serious injury of the student and/or the student’s immediate family
- Serious extended illness of the student and/or the student’s immediate family
- Death of the student’s relative

Appeal forms are available at the Student Financial Aid and Scholarships office or on the forms section of our website at http://financialaid.unt.edu/financial-aid-forms. Appeals must be submitted by the midpoint of the semester.

More Information

For Student Financial Aid and Scholarships' complete SAP policy, please visit: http://financialaid.unt.edu/sap.