

Proposal to Eliminate College of Engineering Probation and Suspension Rules and  
Adopt University Rules  
March 31, 2021

The College of Engineering is requesting to drop the College of Engineering's probation and suspension rules and hence, follow the University's rules.

Justification:

1. In the earlier days Undergraduate Studies existed and they would take our students who were suspended from the College but were still at the University. When the University dissolved this unit, our students had no place to go and were forced to make a quick decision on picking another College. We feel it is better to keep the students in our College and advised by their current advisor instead of suspending from the College and switching them to another College with a new advisor. By following the University policies, students with academic issues are referred to tutoring and academic coaching and if needed, are referred to the Stuckert Career Center to explore other majors.
2. Trying to maintain both the College and University rules were difficult to manage and it caused a lot of confusion among our students. When using the College rules, our staff were required to keep track and send out a total of 6 different notifications (probation from COE, probation from University, Suspension from COE, suspension from the University, 2<sup>nd</sup> suspension from College, 2<sup>nd</sup> suspension from the University).

This proposal was approved unanimously by our Undergraduate Education Committee on March 22, 2021 and was approved by the College of Engineering faculty on March 30, 2021.

The following rules would be eliminated:

**~~4.1.1.1 College of Engineering~~**

~~[US: 4/25/84; US: 2/12/96; US: 3/9/2009]~~

~~The following rules apply to the College of Engineering.~~

- ~~1. Any engineering student who has completed two or more semesters at UK and who fails to maintain a cumulative UK GPA of 2.0 or higher will be suspended from the College of Engineering and will not be readmitted until this GPA is 2.0 or higher.~~
- ~~2. Any student enrolled in the College of Engineering who earns a UK GPA of less than 2.0 in any semester will be placed on academic probation.~~
- ~~3. Any student on academic probation who fails to earn a 2.0 or higher semester GPA will be suspended from the College of Engineering and will not be readmitted until he or she has obtained a semester GPA of 2.0 or higher for one semester and the student's cumulative GPA is 2.0 or greater.~~

- ~~4. Students who are suspended twice from the College of Engineering will not be readmitted.~~

We would adopt the following policies:

## **University Probation and Suspension Rules**

### **1.2. SCHOLASTIC PROBATION, SUSPENSION AND REINSTATEMENT**

#### **1.2.1 POLICIES FOR UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS**

[US: 3/20/95; US: 4/23/2001]

[Specific colleges and programs may have adopted policies more stringent than the ones here. See SR [10.5.](#)]

##### **1.2.1.1 Academic Probation Policies**

Students are placed on probation if:

1. Their cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) falls below 2.0. Students on probation for this reason who achieve a cumulative 2.0 GPA or higher shall be removed from probation.
2. They have two consecutive UK academic terms with term GPAs below 2.0 regardless of their cumulative GPA. Students who achieve a 2.0 or better in the next term and have a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher will be removed from probation.

If the student has completed all the academic and procedural requirements for the degree while still maintaining an overall GPA of 2.0 or higher (or the minimum GPA established by a specific college), the degree shall be awarded and the student placed in good standing.

The Summer Session is subject to the same probation and suspension provisions as Spring and Fall.

##### **1.2.1.2 Academic Suspension Policies**

[US: 3/20/95; US: 4/23/2001; US: 4/8/2002]

Students are suspended if:

1. They fail to earn a 2.0 term GPA for any term while on probation;
2. They have three consecutive UK terms in which their cumulative GPA remains below 2.0; or

3. Their GPA is below 0.6 after their first term, if the semester's GPA is based on at least 9 hours of grades A, B, C, D or E.

Notwithstanding the provisions of SR **5.4.1****Error! Reference source not found.**, in the case of a student eligible for suspension, the dean of the student's college may continue a student on academic probation if the individual case so justifies, with notification to the Director of Undergraduate Studies.

A student academically suspended from the University may not enroll in any courses offered by the University, nor take any examination for University credit while on academic suspension. [US: 4/10/2000; US: 4/23/2001]

A student academically suspended from the University a second time shall not be readmitted to the University except in unusual circumstances and then only upon recommendation of the dean of the college in which the student plans to enroll and approval of the University Senate Council.

Once reported to the Registrar, an academic suspension may be rescinded by the dean only in the event of an error in the determination of the student's eligibility for suspension, an official grade change that alters the student's suspension eligibility, or exceptional circumstances. [US: 10/16/89; US: 4/23/2001]