

## **Fostering Undergraduate Student Success – What’s all the FUSS About?**

It is about your success as an undergraduate student at Fayetteville State University.



### **What is the Fostering Undergraduate Success (F.U.S.S.) Policy?**

On April 29, 2013, the Board of Governors for the University of North Carolina system adopted the Fostering Undergraduate Student Success policies to be implemented effective the Fall 2014 for constituent schools. These policies are designed to improve and promote consistency across all University of North Carolina constituent schools to:

- set academic progress and degree attainment as primary outcomes;
- promote academic quality, rigor, and integrity; and
- make possible “seamless” educational opportunities across the UNC campuses, with the North Carolina Community College system, and early college high schools.

More information at:

<http://www.northcarolina.edu/apps/policy/index.php?pg=vs&id=16592&added=1>.

### **What does this mean for me?**

#### **1 – You must remain in Good Academic Standing and Satisfactory Academic Progress -**

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- Fayetteville State University students must maintain a cumulative GPA of at least 2.0 at the end of each semester to remain in good academic standing.

- Fayetteville State University will use the minimum Federal Title IV regulations to measure Satisfactory Academic Progress at a ratio of 67% (cumulative earned hours/cumulative attempted hours). We may also use a term GPA of 2.0 to determine continued financial aid eligibility.
- If your cumulative GPA falls below 2.0 at the end of the fall semester, you are placed on probation. This is a warning that you must earn a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or better at the end of the spring semester.
- If your cumulative GPA falls below 2.0 at the end of the spring semester, you are placed on [Academic Suspension](#) and **must** submit a Letter of Appeal to determine if you will be allowed to continue enrollment and/or if you are eligible for federal financial aid.
- You are responsible for knowing what the Fayetteville State University Catalog says about you and your academic progress.

**2 - You are allowed to withdraw from individual courses for a maximum of 16 credit hours for the duration of your undergraduate career(s) at Fayetteville State University. This does not include withdrawal from the university.**

- You are expected to complete all the courses for which you are registered at the close of the registration drop/add period. If you have used your 16 hours of individual course withdrawals, you will not be allowed to withdraw from additional courses and you will receive a letter grade from the instructor.
- You cannot withdraw from a course that takes you beyond the 16 credit hour limit.
- You may request a course withdrawal due to serious extenuating circumstances, including military deployment, death of an immediate family member; traumatic and unforeseen circumstances which are considered beyond a student's control; serious emotional instability, physical injury or illness which has resulted in the student's inability to complete academic responsibilities in a given term. Poor standing in a course does not constitute an extenuating circumstance in and of itself.
  - The student will submit a statement and all required documentation to the Office of Personal Development. The statement must include:
    - Student name and Banner ID, date of request, names and section numbers of requested course(s) for withdrawal, and detailed reason the student is requesting withdrawal for extenuating circumstances.
    - The Office of Personal Development will review the request and documentation and forward with a recommendation to the Dean of the College or School and the Office of the Registrar.
    - If approved by the Dean of the College or School (or designee), the Office of the Registrar will process the withdrawal for extenuating circumstances. If not approved by the Dean of the College or School (or designee), the Dean's office will contact the student and the advisor to determine the best course of action for the student. A student may appeal a denial through the Office of the Provost.