

Part Time Students and Satisfactory Academic Progress



IF YOU ARE A PART TIME STUDENT....

Please stay aware of the rules concerning your academic standing. Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) is a Goodwin policy based on federal regulations governing financial aid. It is essential that you understand and meet the benchmarks of SAP in order to remain eligible for federal financial aid and earn a degree from Goodwin.

While the full policy can be found in your course catalogue, the first main benchmark requires a **2.0 CGPA**. The second main benchmark is known as **pace**; it requires students to receive credit for most of the credits they attempt. **Certain criteria may reduce these requirements for students early in their program; please read the full policy for details.*

How Pace is Calculated

$$\text{Credits Received} \div \text{Credits Attempted} = \text{Pace}$$

Because taking fewer courses affects the math behind calculating pace, it would be very easy to withdraw from just one course and end up with a pace of 0%.

Please be very careful when you sign up for a course that you are reasonably sure that you will be able to complete it. If you take just one collegiate course and withdraw, fail, or do not finish it, you will end up on warning status.

If you take two collegiate courses and withdraw, fail, or do not finish one, your pace will be 50%. A 50% pace is acceptable if you have attempted less than 30 credits, but it must be 67% if you have attempted 30 credits or more. You might end up on warning, depending on your circumstances.

Collegiate courses are numbered 100 or above. Keep in mind that only collegiate level courses are counted when academic standing is calculated; courses numbered less than 100 will not affect standing in terms of SAP.

If your standing is switched to warning, you will be required to take part in an academic progress meeting. If your pace and CGPA are not restored by the end of a semester on warning, you will lose federal financial aid eligibility and need to file a letter of appeal to seek to restore it. **Please view the FAQ's at: www.goodwin.edu/SAP.**

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