

Student Awards and Financial Aid

Academic Progress & OSAP



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Academic Progress

Students are eligible for Full-time OSAP if they enroll in a minimum 60% course load (40% for students with a permanent disability).

- If a student withdraws and/or drops to part-time studies after receiving funding they will be placed on Academic Probation/Restriction effective the day they reduced their course load below the minimum requirement
- Students must achieve passing grades in 60% course load (40% for students with a permanent disability) averaged over the terms in which they receive funding

If students do not meet satisfactory academic progress requirements there is an impact to their eligibility for further OSAP assistance. The consequences are increasingly severe as the number of failures increases.





Academic Progress Consequences

Academic Situation	Consequences	Remedy
Failure to make satisfactory academic progress during 1 academic year	Student is placed on probation for the remainder of the current academic year, if any (ex dur to a withdrawal), and for the next FULL academic year. During the probationary period, the student remains eligible for Full-Time OSAP or part-time OSAP, unless there is a part-time academic penalty on file	Must succeed in the following academic year to maintain continuous Full-Time OSAP eligibility. If student is not receiving OSAP funding during probationary year, the student must maintain Canada – Ontario Integrated Student Loans in good standing
Failure to make satisfactory academic progress for 2 successive academic years	RESTRICTION – student loses eligibility for Full-Time OSAP and Part-time OSAP for a minimum for 12 months (1 year)	Must maintain Canada – Ontario Integrated Student Loans in good standing during the 12-month period
Second failure to make satisfactory academic progress for 2 successive academic years – has previous one-year restriction	RESTRICTION – student loses eligibility for Full-Time OSAP and Part-time OSAP for a minimum of 36 months (3 years)	Must maintain Canada – Ontario Integrated Student Loans in good standing during the 36-month period
Third failure to make satisfactory academic progress for 2 successive academic years – has previous three-year restriction	RESTRICTION – student loses eligibility for Full-Time OSAP and Part-time OSAP for a minimum of 60 months (5 years)	Must maintain Canada – Ontario Integrated Student Loans in good standing during the 60-month period
Fourth failure to make satisfactory academic progress for 2 successive academic years – has previous five-year restriction	RESTRICTION – student loses eligibility for Full-Time OSAP and Part-time OSAP	Must repay all loans prior to obtaining new loans



Requirement to Progress

Students are also required to progress through the successive years of their program of study. The following actions are all considered failure to progress academically:

- Multiple program switches
- Frequently dropping from Full-time course load to part-time course load
- Withdrawing from a program
- Repeating courses
- Extending a degree by adding multiple majors
- Failing to actively participate in courses (not attending classes, not submitting assignments, not writing exams)



Period of Study Plus One

Students may apply for Full-Time OSAP for the number of periods of study specified by the institution for completion of that program of study plus one (1). For example:

- Student in a 1-year certificate program can receive a maximum of 2 years of Full-Time OSAP assistance
- Student in a 3-year general program can receive a maximum of 4 years of Full-Time OSAP assistance
- Student in a 4-year year honours program can receive a maximum of 5 years of Full-Time OSAP assistance



Academic Progress Appeal (Personal Circumstance Review)

When a students are placed on OSAP Academic Probation/Restriction due to circumstances beyond their control, they can submit an appeal. Acceptable circumstances include the following:

- Medical conditions
- Family crisis
- Disability
- Pregnancy or parental leave
- Code was put on file in error





Questions

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 - 519-253-3000 Ext. 3300
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