VA Standards of Progress

Academic progress will be measured at the end of each semester. Failure by a student to maintain a cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of at least 2.0 for any evaluation period will result in that student being placed on academic probation for the following term. Failure by the student to attain a cumulative GPA of at least a 2.0 during the probation term will result in academic suspension (termination of veteran's benefits) for one term. The interruption will be reported to the Veterans Administration within 30 calendar days of the change in status.

Veterans who are reinstated for benefits after academic suspension who fail to attain a GPA of at least 2.0 during that term will be placed on academic dismissal for 2 terms. Reinstatement after dismissal will be granted only if mitigating circumstances exist.

Mitigating Circumstances

Mitigating circumstances are those which directly hinder pursuit of a course and which are judged to be beyond the student's control. The following are some general categories of mitigating circumstances. This list is not all-inclusive.

- Serious illness of the veteran
- Serious illness or death in the veteran's immediate family
- Emergency financial obligations or change of place of employment or work schedule which preclude pursuit of the course
- Unanticipated changes in child-care responsibilities
- Active duty military service, including active duty for training