

Standards for Satisfactory Academic Progress

Federal and State financial aid programs mandate that Illinois Wesleyan maintains standards for determining the satisfactory academic progress of its students receiving such aid. These standards are distinct from those used to determine good or probationary academic standing, or disqualification from attendance at the University.

Each academic year a student is enrolled in study, he or she must successfully complete a reasonable number of courses, which would indicate reasonable progress toward completion of all degree requirements within five academic years (ten semesters) of full-time enrollment.

While these Federal and State standards allow for completion of degree requirements over five years, Illinois Wesleyan University expects students to complete their degrees within four years and academic programs are designed to meet this four year goal.

Satisfactory Academic Progress Requires:

Qualitative Measurement

At the Completion of this Full-time

With at least this cumulative Grade

Academic Year

Point Average

1

1.8

2

2.0

3

2.0

4

2.0

Quantitative Measurement

All students are required to successfully complete at least 75% of their attempted classes. The Financial Aid Office will review completion rates at the end of the Spring semester once grades are posted.

Students who transferred into IWU will also have to successfully complete at least 75% of their attempted classes (including classes accepted by IWU while transferring into IWU). All of this will be reviewed at the end of spring semester.

In extraordinary circumstances financial aid may be continued even though the above standards have not been met. This requires that the student demonstrate in a written statement that undue hardship contributed substantially to the student's failure to make satisfactory academic progress. Further information on this procedure may be obtained by contacting the University's Financial Aid Office.