

**MIRACOSTA COLLEGE  
FINANCIAL AID SATISFACTORY ACADEMIC PROGRESS POLICY  
2024-25 ACADEMIC YEAR**

Effective fall 2024 and supersedes all previous policies.

In accordance with federal regulations, the MiraCosta College Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) Policy requires review of each student's academic record at the end of each term. Pace of Work Study (FWS), and Federal Direct

A similar but separate academic progress policy applies known as the Board of Governors [BOG] Fee Waiver).

The following pages explain the SAP requirements and explain the disqualification and reinstatement by appeal .

**MIRACOSTA COLLEGE SATISFACTORY ACADEMIC PROGRESS STANDARDS:**

- A. GRADE POINT AVERAGE: A student must maint[ \*
  - a. Pace is calculated as units completed (UC) ÷ units attempted (UA).
  - b. Grades such as A, B, C, D, CR, or P are considered successfully completed (UC).
  - c. Grades such as F, W, EW, NC, NP, RD, and I are NOT considered successfully completed, but count toward units attempted (UA).
  
- C. MAXIMUM TIMEFRAME (MTF): The total number of units attempted from all schools will be limited to 150% of the units required to complete the program. You may be paid financial aid for up to 30 attempted units of remedial course work, and, a maximum of 30 units of remedial course work will be excluded in the maximum time frame calculation.\*

<u>Program</u>	<u>Units</u>
Bachelor Degree	150 % of degree applicable units including electives (Typically 180 units)**
Transfer Program/Associate Degree	150 % of degree applicable units including electives (Typically 90 units)**
Certificate Programs	150 % of the units required for program completion**

#### ACADEMIC PROGRESS CHECK:

Satisfactory Academic Progress is reviewed after each term, including summer.

#### IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES

Per CA state assembly bill 789 (AB789), schools can no longer advertise SAP appeal deadline dates. Students may submit an appeal at any time. It is important to note, however, that federal financial aid regulations require that a student establish eligibility prior to the end of the term in which they are seeking financial aid. The financial aid office needs reasonable time to process appeals, so students that submit an appeal during the last two weeks of any term may not be able to establish eligibility prior to the end of the term.

#### NOTIFICATION, WARNING, APPEAL PROCESS, REINSTATEMENT, AND PROBATION

Students who have not met the Satisfactory Academic Progress standards will be notified in writing of their status.

The first term in which a student drops below the SAP standards is provided as a "Warning" term. If the student successfully completes the term and once again meets the SAP standards, financial aid eligibility will continue uninterrupted.

#### ADDITIONAL SAP INFORMATION

Units Added/Dropped: The 66.7% unit completion rate is based on all degree applicable classes that appear on the student's permanent record, regardless of the date they were added, or whether or not a student received financial aid for them. Any coursework removed from the permanent record for which federal aid payment was received may result in an overpayment, and the student may be required to repay federal funds.

Transfer coursework : Degree applicable units transferred in from other institutions count toward Pace and Maximum Timeframe calculations. Once transcrip.3 (ec)-247 Td [(and M)-12.4 (ax)-8 0.6 (t)-1.e1 (v)-8 (ed )-11.7 (may