Purrfect Your Academic Performance!

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a web based workshop for students on probation

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Your first reaction to getting the academic probation news might have been:

- Embarrassment
- Shock
- Disappointment
- Frustration
- Anger
DON’T GET STUCK IN THE REACTION!

This is **your opportunity** to take a closer look at what went wrong and make changes.
The goal of this workshop is to help you:

- Understand what it means to be on probation;
- Realize what circumstances led you to probation; and,
- Optimize your academic performance so you can return to good standing.
What Does It Mean To Be On Probation?
UWM has a University-wide Academic Action Policy that establishes minimum standards for undergraduate students.

A student whose GPA falls below minimum university-wide standards for any grading period will be subject to academic actions. To review UWM’s policy, [Click here](#).
Go to the Letters and Science website and learn how your UWM grade point average is calculated:  Click here.

Run an unofficial copy of your UWM transcript via PAWS. Review it so you understand how the University arrived at the probationary status and what you need to do in order to improve your gpa and clear probation.
What Circumstances Led You To Probation?
Where did I go wrong?

Did I study enough?
Various factors may have contributed to your past academic performance:

- Health or wellness issues
- Personal or adjustment difficulties
- Financial concerns
- Lack of direction or ineffective study strategies
To help you understand what may have contributed to your academic difficulties and think about ways to improve your academic performance, click on the link below and complete the checklist:

Tracking Academic Probation

(Be sure to bring the completed form to your next advising conference.)
If you’re struggling with health or wellness issues...

- Norris Health Center offers a range of services and resources, including health education.
- Norris is located at 3351 North Downer Avenue, on the northeast portion of campus, between Klotsche Center and Enderis Hall.
- Website: http://www4.uwm.edu/norris/.
The Student Accessibility Center (SAC) works with students with mobility, sensory, communications, mental, or learning differences, as well as those with basic health impairments. Learn more about the services they provide by visiting their website at: http://www4.uwm.edu/sac/.

SAC’s main office is located in Mitchell 116. The phone number is 229-6287 (v tty).
If you’re experiencing personal or adjustment difficulties...

Develop
Supportive Relationships

And When Things Get Tough, Ask for Help.
UWM has campus resources to help you:

- Counseling Services/Norris Health Center
- Student Success Center
- Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) Resource Center
- Multicultural Student Support Programs: African American Student Academic Services, American Indian Student Services, Roberto Hernandez Center, Southeast Asian-American Student Services
- Women’s Resource Center (WRC)
If you have financial concerns...

- Visit an advisor in the Department of Financial Aid. The office is located in Mellencamp 162. Website: [http://www4.uwm.edu/financialaid/](http://www4.uwm.edu/financialaid/).
- Seek out funding sources such as DVR, Veterans Benefits, employer tuition reimbursement plans, if eligible.
- Locate on and off-campus employment opportunities by viewing the Career Development Center’s website at: [http://www.uwm.edu/CDC/](http://www.uwm.edu/CDC/).
- Enroll in the 1 credit Econ 110 course, Economics of Personal Finance, to learn how to effectively manage your personal finances. ([See Schedule of Classes for course offerings.](http://www.uwm.edu/CDC/))
If you lack direction or your study strategies need improvement...

How do I join a study group?

What will my major be?

Where are periodicals in the library?
Classes are available:

- Ed Psy 100, Learning Skills Laboratory, a 2-credit offering designed to teach effective study techniques. (See Schedule of Classes for course offerings.)

- Ed Psy 101, Foundations of Academic Success: Planning Your Major and/or Career, a 2-credit offering designed to help you understand the career planning process and how to apply it to your own academic major and career choices. (See Schedule of Classes for course offerings.)

- L&I Sci 101, Information Literacy, a 1-credit offering with emphasis on information gathering sources and services. (See Schedule of Classes for course offerings.)
UWM offers workshops too:

- Student Success Center workshops, e.g., Success in Numbers. (Check website for offerings.)

- Golda Meir Library walk-in instruction services and workshops. (Check website for offerings.)
You can use other campus services as well:

- Chemistry Tutoring Service (Contact Dept. for Schedule)
- [English Department Writing Center](#)
- [Mathematics Department Tutoring](#)
- [Physics and Astronomy Tutoring Room](#)
- [Panther Academic Support Services/PASS: Tutoring, Study Groups, Supplemental Instruction, Resource Library](#)
- Lubar School of Business Tutoring (Contact Lubar)
- [School of Education Resource Center](#)
- [College of Engineering & Applied Science Drop In Tutoring Center](#)
- [College of Nursing Academic Enrichment Center](#)
- [Career Development Center](#)
And you can link into study skills resources on the internet. Here are just a few:

- www.howtostudy.org
- www.prenhall.com/success/StudySkI/
- www.studygs.net
- www.dartmouth.edu/~acskills/videos/
- http://success.oregonstate.edu/study-tips/
- http://sas.calpoly.edu/asc/ssl.html
- http://www.ucc.vt.edu/stdysk/stdyhlp.html
What Steps Are Next To Optimize Your Academic Performance?
▪ Accept personal responsibility.
▪ Figure out what you will do differently in the future.
▪ Set realistic goals for yourself.
▪ Locate resources you will use to achieve the goals.
▪ Develop an academic improvement plan. (doc)
▪ Meet with your advisor to discuss your plan.
Pounce wants YOU

...to clear probation and move another step closer to graduation!