Academic Probation
Academic Advising Center
We are here to help.
GOALS FOR THIS MEETING:

1. Understand what academic probation is and what it can mean for your academic career.
2. Understand the causes of your current academic situation and what changes you need to make to regain good academic standing.
3. Know what UCA resources are available for you as you make those changes.
4. Plan those changes.
What is academic probation?

Any student whose overall grade point average is lower than 2.0 will be placed on academic probation.
You will be in good standing when you bring your overall grade point average up to a 2.0.
PROBATION WON’T CHANGE...

• Your ability to drop courses.
• Your ability to change or to declare your major.
• The number of courses you can take.
Academic probation may affect:

- Scholarships
- Graduation.
- Access to majors and programs.
Academic probation WILL affect your financial aid.
TO AVOID THE POSSIBILITY OF ACADEMIC SUSPENSION YOU MUST EARN A 2.0 OR BETTER FOR THIS CURRENT TERM OR YOUR OVERALL GPA MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING MINIMUMS:

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WHY ARE YOU ON ACADEMIC PROBATION?

Factors that often contribute to academic problems:

• Time management/organizational problems.
• Personal/family problems.
• Health problems.
• Financial problems.
• No major/wrong major.
• The wrong time to be in school
• Poor time management skills.
• Working too many hours.
IF YOU HAVE PROBLEMS WITH YOUR CLASS WORK...GET HELP!

Communicate.
At the first sign of a problem immediately:

- Talk to your instructor.
- Get help from your academic advisor.
Use the academic support/tutoring services available on campus:

• Writing Center
• Tutoring Services
• Departmental labs and tutors
• Online help available in your MyUCA account in the “Student Resources” page in your MyUCA tab.
• Beef up your study skills. [http://www.howtostudy.org/](http://www.howtostudy.org/)

• If you don’t have the background skills for your courses, consider taking a “prep” course/courses.
IF YOU HAVE TIME MANAGEMENT ISSUES OR YOU ARE DISORGANIZED...

• Use a planner. Plan/organize your time; then, work your plan.

• Prioritize. Decide which activities will help you meet your academic goals. Eliminate unnecessary activities. Make some activities rewards for completing other activities/assignments.

• Visit the time management section in the study skills site available in the MyUCA tab.

http://www.howtostudy.org/.
WHAT ABOUT YOUR MAJOR?

Do you have a major?

Are you in the wrong major?

• Use Career Services to help you solve these major problems: http://uca.edu/career
• What Can I Do With This Major?
• Major/minor list in Resources for Students
• Program Completion Plans
IF YOU ARE DEALING WITH PERSONAL ISSUES, FAMILY PROBLEMS, HEALTH ISSUES…

• Counseling Services
• Disability Support Services
• Student Health Services
• Dean of Students
IF YOU HAVE FINANCIAL ISSUES…

• If you receive financial aid, make sure your application is turned in by July 1. Turn in complete, accurate financial aid applications.

• Register only for those classes you plan to complete.

• Plan ahead so that you can purchase needed textbooks, etc.

• Where appropriate, register for fewer hours.

• http://uca.edu/financialaid/
If you have a job…

• Are you working too many hours?

• Does your job allow you enough time to complete your studies/homework?

• Can you work fewer hours? If not can you enroll in fewer hours?
WHEN NECESSARY, DROP CLASSES OR WITHDRAW FOR THE SEMESTER

• To know exactly how your are doing, periodically calculate your semester GPA.

• Deadlines apply to dropping classes and withdrawal from UCA.

• If you receive financial aid or you live in campus housing, you must first check with Financial Aid and/or Housing before you drop classes.
October 31 is the final date to officially withdraw from Aug. 21 – Dec. 12 classes or the university with a W grade unless already dropped for non-attendance
December 1, 2014 Monday is the final date to officially withdraw from Aug. 21 – Dec. 12 classes or from the university with a WP or WF grade unless already dropped for non-attendance.
When planning for next semester’s classes, use Grade Forgiveness.
Grade Forgiveness

• A student may repeat in residence a maximum of four courses in which a D, F, or WF grade is earned. Both grades will remain on the permanent record, but only the second grade will be used to calculate the grade point average.

• This option may be used only once for each course in which a D, F, or WF was received.

• A student must accept, for purposes of grade forgiveness, the first four courses repeated. No course may be repeated for the purpose of grade forgiveness after a course for which it is a prerequisite has been passed. The grade forgiveness provision is applicable only to students who do not possess a baccalaureate degree.
PLAN/STRATEGIZE

• Identify your academic problems and their causes.
• After you’ve identified your problems, plan how you will get back on track. Put your strengths/talents to work.
• Talk to your advisor. Talk about your plan; get input for your plan.
• Make the changes you need to make.
• Make use of the resources and processes available to you.
• Take action immediately. Follow that plan, and make adjustments where necessary.
ONLINE PROBATION

INSTRUCTIONS:

• Click or copy the link to your browser to complete the online probation workshop form: uca.edu/web/forms/view.php?id=902

• Probation and Suspension Policy (2.05.08-Retention)