According to the Scholastic Deficiency/Probation section of the Texas A&M University Student Rules (http://student-rules.tamu.edu/rule12), Section 12.1 An undergraduate student is scholastically deficient when:

- 12.1.1 His or her term grade point average is less than 2.00; or
- 12.1.2 His or her cumulative grade point average is less than 2.00; or
- 12.1.3 The cumulative grade point average in his or her major field of study is below a 2.00; or
- 12.1.4 He or she is not meeting college and/or major course of study grade point requirements.

DEPARTMENT LEVEL - Scholastic Probation Policy

Determination of scholastically deficient status occurs at the end of each full term (fall or spring) once final semester grades have been posted. No scholastically deficient review occurs at the end of the summer semester. Scholastically deficient students are placed on scholastic probation. The circumstances of which would warrant a student to be put on scholastic probation are: 1) a full term GPA below a 2.0 and 2) for unsatisfactory progress towards their degree.

Full Term (Fall or Spring) GPA <2.0

- Placed on scholastic probation.
  - At the end of the probationary semester:
    - If the term GPA is ≥2.0 in the probationary semester, the student will return to good academic standing.
    - If the term GPA is <2.0 in the probationary semester, the student will be dismissed from the department and blocked from further registration until the student has changed majors.

Unsatisfactory Progress towards Degree

Students in the J. Mike Walker ’66 Department of Mechanical Engineering are expected to make satisfactory progress toward completion of all degree requirements. Any student meeting one of the criteria below is considered to be in unsatisfactory progress toward degree completion and will be put on probation for the subsequent term. During the probationary semester, students must successfully complete all repeated coursework as required for the degree. If these terms are not met, the student will be dismissed from the department at the end of the probationary semester.

1) **Unsatisfactory completion of 75% of attempted course credit hours in each semester.** Unsatisfactory completion is defined as earning a grade that is not acceptable for the degree requirements *(i.e. D in MATH 251 and D in MEEN 225)*. If 12 credit hours are attempted, at least 9 credit hours would need to be satisfactory completed. *Withdrawing for two terms is considered unsatisfactory completion of attempted coursework of which a student will be put on probation.*

2) **Attempt a specific course two times without earning credit towards degree** *(Q-drop, W, D, F, U).* Dismissal from department if not passing a course for the third attempt.

Appealing Departmental Dismissal

Students have the opportunity to appeal their dismissal from the J. Mike Walker ’66 Department of Mechanical Engineering. *(Note: Appeals to dismissal from the College of Engineering or suspension from the University are handled by the respective unit, not the department.)* Students will receive information about

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the appeals process when they are notified of their dismissal. All requirements of the appeal must be met for consideration.

Readmission After Dismissal
Students may be eligible for readmission to the J. Mike Walker ’66 Department of Mechanical Engineering after dismissal. When a student may become eligible for readmission is at the discretion of the department. Students will be notified at the time of dismissal if and when they will be eligible for readmission. Eligibility is no guarantee of readmission.

Department Academic Warning
A student will be put on Academic Warning if their cumulative GPA drops to or below a 2.4. Students on academic warning will need to meet with their advisor at least 3 times per term (4-5 week of term, mid-term, and last week in the term to Q-drop classes) every term until their cumulative GPA is above a 2.4 or until they graduate.

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING LEVEL - Scholastic Probation Policy
Determination of scholastically deficient status occurs at the end of each long semester (fall or spring) once final semester grades have been posted. No scholastically deficient review occurs at the end of summer semester. Scholastically deficient students are placed on scholastic probation. Departments may have additional terms or definitions of scholastic probation, please refer to the department’s policy for more information.

Cumulative GPA <2.0
- Placed on scholastic probation and blocked from pre-registration by the department.
  - At the end of the probationary semester
    - If the term GPA is ≥2.0 in the probationary semester and the cumulative GPA is ≥2.0, the student will return to good academic standing.
    - If the term GPA is ≥2.0 in the probationary semester and the cumulative GPA remains below 2.0, the student may be allowed additional probationary semester(s) based on departmental policy.

Full Term (Fall or Spring) GPA <2.0
- Placed on scholastic probation.
  - At the end of the probationary semester
    - If the term GPA is ≥2.0 in the probationary semester, the student will return to good academic standing.
    - If the term GPA is <2.0 in the probationary semester, the student will be dismissed from the department and blocked from further registration until the student has changed majors.
      - If the student changes majors within the college of engineering they will be placed on probation by the accepting department.
        - If the term GPA is ≥2.0 in the probationary semester, the student will return to good academic standing.
        - If the term GPA is <2.0 in the probationary semester, the student will be dismissed from the college and blocked from further registration in the College of Engineering.
UNIVERSITY LEVEL - SUSPENSION POLICY

A scholastically-deficient undergraduate student may, after review by the Associate Provost for Undergraduate Studies or designee, be suspended from the university because of scholastic deficiency by the following action: Suspension – Separation of the student from the university for a definite period of time. The student is not guaranteed readmission at the end of this period of time. The student is guaranteed a review of the case and a decision regarding eligibility for readmission.

Below is a chart to visually represent the above policies:

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Student Rights

An undergraduate student blocked or suspended for deficient scholarship may request a hearing by the University Academic Appeals Panel in accordance with Student Rule 12.8.5. Undergraduate students can appeal their dismissal. Dismissal letters sent to the students at the end of each semester will have instructions on how to appeal to their department or college depending on the level of dismissal.