

501.0 - Standards of Satisfactory Academic Progress for Financial Aid Eligibility (SAP)

Purpose:

The purpose of this policy is to comply with Federal Code of Regulations 34 CFR 668.34.

Policy:

Bismarck State College, in compliance with federal regulations, established these policies and procedures to ensure that students who receive federal financial aid are making satisfactory academic progress (SAP) toward a degree, diploma, or certificate.

Definitions:

SAP – Satisfactory Academic Progress

References:

[BSC Operational Procedure: 441.3 Course Grades](#)

[BSC Operational Procedure: 441.0 Honor Points and GPA](#)

[BSC Operational Procedure: 443.2 Academic Standing and Academic Suspension Appeal](#)

[BSC Operational Procedure: 406.4 Course Drop Withdraw to Zero Credit Appeals](#)

[BSC Operational Procedure: 443.0 Repeating a Course](#)

[BSC Operational Procedure: 412.0 Transfer Credit](#)

[Federal Code of Regulations 34 CFR 668.34](#)

History of This Policy:

First policy draft January 1, 1988.

Reviewed by - August 18, 1994; December 22, 2000; March 3, 2003; June 16, 2003; May 17, 2008; reviewed by the Operations Council on July 13, 2011, and approved by the Executive Council on July 19, 2011 (changes effective July 1, 2011); reviewed by the Operations Council on November 25, 2015, and approved by the Executive Council on December 1, 2015. Revised

March 29, 2022; reviewed by Campus Council on August 31st, 2022, and reviewed by the Executive Council on September 23rd, 2022, and approved by the President on January 4th, 2023. Reviewed as per policy schedule, no changes were made, approved by the VP of Student Affairs on July 31, 2024.