

## STANDARDS OF SATISFACTORY PROGRESS

Federal and state regulations require an institution to establish Standards of Satisfactory Progress for all students receiving federal and state financial aid; including Veterans benefits. Applicants must maintain standards of satisfactory academic progress both **prior** to and during the semesters aid is received.

### Standards of Satisfactory Progress are as follows:

- 1) Maintain a **minimum** cumulative 2.0 grade point average.
- 2) Students are also expected to make “normal” progress toward their degree objective within a maximum timeframe. Beginning 2015-16, students are eligible for financial aid at Central Wyoming College up to a total of 90 credit hours **attempted**. Students must also have a completion rate of 67% (2/3) of the cumulative attempted credit hours. Examples of this requirement:

Cumulative credit hours attempted	Calculation of 67%	Cumulative credit hours completed
20	( x .67 ) =	14
15	( x .67 ) =	11
12	( x .67 ) =	9
9	( x .67 ) =	7
6	( x .67 ) =	5

- 3) Completed courses with a grade of “D” or better will be counted as meeting the minimum requirements, including required remedial courses. Credits with the following grades will NOT be counted toward the minimum requirements: F (Failure); Z (Audit); X (Incomplete); U (Unsatisfactory); IP (In Progress), T (Temporary); W (Withdrawal); and WI (Withdrawal by Instructor).
- 4) Failure to maintain the requirements in paragraphs 1 and 2 above will result in a **warning status** if it can be reasonably expected the student can successfully reinstate Standards of Satisfactory Progress by the end of the next term. NOTE: Funding will be limited to one additional semester and if the student does not reinstate Standards of Satisfactory Progress at the end of the next term, all federal financial aid (including Veterans benefits) will be cancelled, and the student will be placed on probation status.
- 5) A student who finishes a semester with straight F’s, W’s or WI’s (or combination thereof) is immediately cancelled and placed on probation status. All federal financial aid programs, including Veterans benefits, will be cancelled as the student will not be able to meet the Standards of Satisfactory Progress.
- 6) If a student is cancelled and placed on probation status, and they feel there are extenuating circumstances as to why they did not meet STANDARDS OF SATISFACTORY PROGRESS, they may file a written PETITION to appeal to reinstate financial aid. The PETITION and all supporting documentation needs to be submitted to the Financial Aid Office no later than two week prior to the start of the term.

**NOTE: CREDITS ATTEMPTED WHILE NOT RECEIVING FINANCIAL AID WILL ALSO BE COUNTED TOWARD THE MAXIMUM CREDITS ALLOWED 150% - 90 CREDITS.** Students who need more time to complete their degree objectives may submit a written appeal to the Financial Aid Office **no later than one week prior to the start of the term.**