Appendix XIII
Probation, Dismissal, and Readmission

Probation, dismissal, and readmission policies and procedures are designed to assist students in making progress toward realistic academic, career, and personal goals. Students applying for Veteran’s educational benefits should refer to the Veteran’s section in this Catalog for information on unsatisfactory progress and eligibility to collect educational benefits, and see below.

STANDARDS FOR PROBATION: A student who has attempted at least twelve (12) semester units as shown by the official academic record shall be placed on academic probation if the student has earned a grade point average below 2.0 in all units which were graded on the basis of the grading scale established by the Ventura County Community College District. A student who has enrolled in a total of at least twelve (12) semester units as shown by the official academic record shall be placed on progress probation when the percentage of all units in which the student has enrolled and for which entries of W, I, NC, and NP are recorded reaches or exceeds fifty percent (50%). NOTE: probationary status is computed using courses taken since fall 1981. Courses taken prior to fall 1981 are not in the computer data file and may not be included in the calculation of probation. This may alter a student’s probationary status.

Special note to students claiming veteran’s benefits — UNSATISFACTORY PROGRESS: For the purpose of certification for educational benefits, academic probation is defined as the failure to complete a minimum of 50% of the total units attempted, and/or to maintain a minimum 2.0 cumulative grade point average. Unsatisfactory progress occurs when a veteran has been placed on academic probation for two consecutive semesters. Unsatisfactory progress must be reported to the Veteran’s Administration, and the veteran may not be certified for future educational benefits. Any veteran placed on unsatisfactory progress must consult the campus Veteran’s Office and receive academic counseling before educational benefits can be reinstated.

A student transferring to a college of the Ventura County Community College District is subject to the same probation and dismissal policies as students of this college district.

NOTIFICATION OF PROBATION: Each college in this district shall notify a student who is placed on probation at or near the beginning of the semester in which it will take effect but, in any case, no later than the start of the Fall semester. The student grade report, available at my.vcccd.edu, specifies the student status for both academic and progress categories as either “good standing” or “probation.”

A student placed on probation is, as a condition of continuing enrollment, to receive individual counseling, including the regulation of his or her academic program. Each student shall also receive any other support services available to help the student overcome any academic difficulties.

REMOVAL FROM PROBATION: A student on academic probation for a grade point
deficiency shall be removed from probation when the student’s cumulative grade point average is 2.0 or higher.

A student on progress probation because of an excess of units for which entries of W, I, NC, and NP are recorded shall be removed from probation when the percentage of units in this category drops below fifty percent (50%).

**STANDARDS FOR DISMISSAL:** A student who is on academic probation shall be dismissed if the student earned a cumulative grade point average of less than 1.75 in all units attempted in each of three consecutive semesters.

A student who has been placed on progress probation shall be subject to dismissal if the percentage of units in which the student has been enrolled and for which entries of W, I, NC, and are recorded in at least three consecutive semesters reaches or exceeds fifty percent (50%).

**NOTIFICATION OF DISMISSAL:** Each college in the Ventura County Community College District shall notify a student who is dismissed at or near the beginning of the semester in which it will take effect but, in any case, no later than the start of the Fall semester. A student who is dismissed has the right of appeal. An exception to academic dismissal may be made only in the event of extreme and unusual medical and/or legal circumstances that can be supported by evidence provided by the student, or in the event of improved scholarship. The petition for this purpose, Petition for Continued Enrollment or Readmission, is available in the Counseling Office.

**CONTINUED ENROLLMENT OR READMISSION:** A student applying for continued enrollment or readmission must submit a petition to explain what circumstances or conditions would justify continued enrollment or readmission. A student applying for readmission shall not be reinstated until a minimum of one semester has elapsed after academic dismissal. A student who is petitioning shall receive counseling to assess his or her academic and career goals and must have counselor approval of his or her educational program prior to registration. The petition for this purpose, Petition for Continued Enrollment or Readmission, is available in the Counseling Office.