



COVENANT UNIVERSITY POLICY ON ACADEMIC PROGRESSION OF STUDENTS

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The following shall apply regarding the academic progression of students from one level to another in Covenant University:

1. Academic Classification

The rating of a student's performance and categorisation of the class of the degree shall be based on the cumulative grade point average obtained by each student in all prescribed courses and approved electives taken at Covenant University. The existing classes of honours degree are as indicated below:

First Class	4.50 and above
Second Class Upper Division	3.50 – 4.49
Second Class Lower Division	2.40 – 3.49
Third Class	1.50 – 2.39

2. Academic Standing

A student with an end of session Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) of not less than 1.50 and less or equal to 20 credit units of failed courses, shall be deemed to be in **Good Standing (GS)**, and thus shall be promoted to the next academic level in the same course. A student whose CGPA is less than 1.50 or has more than 20 credit units of failed courses shall be deemed to be **Not in Good Standing (NGS)**. This category of students shall not be promoted to the next academic level.

3. Probation

Probation is a status granted to a student whose academic performance falls below an acceptable standard. A student that is Not in Good Standing (NGS) but with CGPA of 1.0 and above and had not been on probation in the current academic session shall be allowed to remain in the same course level in order to retake only courses that are failed

during the first attempt at that level while already passed courses shall be retained. In addition, he/she will be allowed to register for any outstanding dropped courses. This provision is subject to the residency policy of the University.

However, the grade earned for a repeated course shall be recorded and used in the computation of the Grade Point Average (GPA) in the usual way.

4. Withdrawal

A student with a Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) of less than 1.0 at the end of the session in his/her first attempt in a particular programme shall be asked to withdraw from that programme. Also, a student who is still not in good standing at the end of a probation year shall be required to withdraw from the University. However, in order to minimise waste of human resources, consideration shall be given to withdrawal from programme of study and possible transfer to another programme in the University, bearing in mind the residency policy of the University. **In the circumstance of a change of programme of study, the student must satisfy the basic entry requirement (BRQ) for the new course.**

5. Repeating Failed Course Units

Subject to the conditions for withdrawal and probation, a student could retake the failed course units at the next available opportunity, provided that the total number of credit units carried during that Semester shall not exceed 20, and the Grade Points earned at all attempts shall count towards the CGPA. Also, at the point of registration of courses, the failed/dropped courses MUST be registered first.

6. Release of Examination Results

- (i) At the end of each semester, the Registrar shall publish a provisional list of successful students in course examinations soon after the recommendations of the College Boards to the Senate Business Committee have been considered and approved by Senate.
- (ii) The Registrar shall publish the final year results of students for the award of degrees after Senate approval.