

Satisfactory Academic Progress Appeals

To be eligible for federal financial aid, a student must make Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP). Two standards are checked to determine eligibility:

- Qualitative Standard – GPA
- Quantitative Standard – The percentage of credit hours completed.

A Coastal Carolina University student is considered to be making SAP if the student satisfies **all** of the following:

- Is admitted and enrolled as a degree-seeking student;
- Meets the University's standards for continued enrollment;
- Earns no fewer than 75% of the credit hours attempted per academic year;
- Maintains a cumulative GPA of 2.0; and
- Completes the requirements for a degree within a reasonable length of time (the total number of hours attempted at any post-secondary institution may not exceed the equivalent of 180 hours – and must be completed within 150% of the published length of the program);

Students **not** making SAP must complete the “Appeal Process” to be reconsidered for financial aid eligibility (*submitting an appeal does not guarantee continued eligibility*). The following items constitute a complete SAP appeal:

- Professional Judgment Addendum E – SAP Appeal Form;
- A **typed** statement detailing the circumstances surrounding your academic difficulty and what you plan to improve your academic standing; and
- A **typed** statement from a person who is aware of your situation. Copies of appropriate medical documentation are also requested if applicable.
- Students who have completed **60 credits or more**, must also provide an academic plan (including anticipated graduation date) signed by their advisor.

To ensure that your financial aid is in place prior to the start of the semester, please submit your completed appeal by the dates below:

Fall semester
July 10, 2009

Spring semester
December 11, 2009

Summer semester
May 29, 2009
(Excludes Maymester)

If deadline is not met, please expect to make payment arrangements.