Student Financial Services
School of Education Satisfactory Academic Progress Standard

- Students working toward a teaching credential only must maintain a GPA of 3.0 or higher.
- Students working toward a Master of Arts degree must maintain a GPA of 3.00 or greater.
- Students must complete a minimum of 70% of all cumulative credit hours attempted. (Grades A, B, C, D, and P (Pass) count toward the 70% requirement and are considered completed credits. W, WP, WF, F, I, and NP do not count as completed credits, but only as attempted credits.) Audited courses are not included in this calculation.
- Students are eligible to receive financial aid for up to 150% of the program's length. All attempted credits at Simpson University that apply to your current program and any credits transferred from other colleges or universities that apply to your current program will be included in the calculation.
- For repeated courses, only the highest grade will be included in the GPA calculation, but the credits for all course attempts will be included in the course completion calculation. Students can receive financial aid for a maximum of two repeats per course, if failed. If a course is passed, a student can only retake the course once with financial aid. A maximum of 5 course repeats total will be considered financial aid eligible. A student must be otherwise eligible for financial aid for the maximum eligibility limits to apply.
- For consortium courses (courses taken at another institution for which Simpson University processes financial aid), the end of semester/payment period calculation will not be completed until official transcripts noting course completion are received and processed by the Registrar's Office.
- Incomplete courses must be completed within one year; if not, the grade will be converted to an F. Prior to completion, the incomplete will negatively impact the student’s completion calculation.
- Courses that are dropped will be excluded from the completion calculation for credit hours attempted. Any course that is processed as a “W” (withdrawal) will be included in the completion calculation, as indicated above.