

# **Lake Erie College**

## **Office of Financial Aid**

### **Satisfactory Academic Progress (S.A.P.) Policy**

To be eligible to receive financial aid from federal, state and institutional sources at Lake Erie College, students must make satisfactory academic progress in their degree or certificate programs. Satisfactory Academic Progress is reviewed at the end of each spring semester. Students placed on probation will be reviewed at the end of each term. All periods of attendance count in the determination of progress, even periods in which the student did not receive financial aid.

The S.A.P. criteria are as follows:

1. Undergraduates who have enrolled for more than two full-time semesters, must have earned a minimum cumulative Grade Point Average 2.0.
2. Undergraduates who have enrolled for more than two full-time semesters, must complete a minimum of 66% of the credit hours they attempt
3. If an undergraduate student's cumulative GPA falls below a 2.0, they will be placed on probation. They will be allowed to continue to receive aid on a probationary status if they earn 66% of the credits attempted and receive a 2.0 semester GPA.
4. Any undergraduate who after two consecutive semesters fails to earn any of the credits they attempt during those terms, will not be given a probationary period and will no longer be eligible for aid at Lake Erie College.
5. If an undergraduate student attends another institution after becoming ineligible for aid at Lake Erie College, they must have a 2.5 GPA earning 6 credit hours or a 2.0 GPA earning 12 credit hours for eligibility to be reinstated.
6. Graduate students must earn a minimum of 66% of the credit hours attempted.
7. Graduate students who have enrolled for more than two semesters must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0.
8. No student may receive financial aid for a time period that exceeds 150% of the program length. The time frame is determined by the number of hours attempted. Undergraduates may not receive aid for a period exceeding 12 full-time semesters. Graduates may not receive aid for a period exceeding 6 full time semesters.
9. Students not meeting satisfactory academic progress standards as stated above, will be deemed ineligible to receive financial aid and notified in writing. Students may appeal this action if circumstances beyond their control prohibit them from maintaining S.A.P. by submitting a letter in writing to the Office of Financial Aid no later than 30 days from the date of notification.