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SATISFACTORY ACADEMIC PROGRESS APPEAL (SAP)

(This is NOT a scholarship appeal)

Name: Last	First	M.I.	Student I.D	O. Number
Student's Address (street, city, and zip of	code)			
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APPEAL INSTRUCTIONS & PROCEDURES

General Information

At the University of Louisville, the Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy examines three factors: GPA (Grade Point Average), Maximum Time Frame and Pace. These requirements are reviewed for all Undergraduate and Graduate students who have completed a FAFSA and thus applied for financial aid.

You may visit the financial aid website for more detailed information regarding the SAP policy.

Appeal Information

If a student, due to extenuating circumstances, fails to meet any of the conditions outlined in the SAP policy, the student may appeal to the Student Aid Committee for an exception to the policy. The Student Financial Aid Office (SFAO) realizes students may or may not be able to continue educational endeavors without financial assistance; however, this is **not** a reason that will be considered for approval.

Student Responsibilities

- 1. Complete the front side of this form. Please verify that your email address is correct via ULink.
- 2. Attach a typed & signed letter addressed to the "Student Financial Aid Office" explaining the following:
 - Extenuating circumstances that led to this appeal, explanations should include <u>specific</u> information, such as important dates surrounding circumstances that contributed to poor academic performance, incomplete or failing grades, late withdrawals, number of attempted hours, etc.
 - Explain the circumstances that affected the student's academic performance and how the situation has improved.
 - Specify steps taken to ensure improved academic performance.
 - Supporting documentation (documents **will not** be returned). Appeals submitted without documentation willnot be approved. UL transcripts are not considered supporting documentation because you are required to document the reasonyou did not meet SAP.
 - Examples: doctor's statements, death certificates/obituaries/funeral announcements, letter from counselors/clergy/attorney/3rd party professional
- 3. Maximum Time Frame require the follow:
 - SAP Appeal form
 - Maximum Time Frame worksheet, available on our website, completed by the student and the academic advisor.
 - A letter explaining why you have exceeded the maximum time frame.
- 4. Return this form with your signed letter and documentation to the Student Financial Aid Office at the address listed on the reverse side of this page. Appeals may be submitted in person to the office, via fax, via ULink Document upload or US postal mail. **DO NOT SUBMIT VIA EMAIL**.
- 5. For a decision to be made on your appeal before the semester census date you must have your completed appeal with all letters and documentation submitted before the **priority date** on the front of the appeal form. A decision is not guaranteed before census date if the appeal is incomplete or deferred. Aid is not guaranteed to be posted before the census, only a decision on the appeal allowing you time to withdrawal from the semester with no tuition charge. Please refer to the Registrar's website for complete census date information.
- 6. Priority dates are for first appeals. Students who did not meet their previously approved appeal probation or SAP plan are not given priority above other appeals being submitted.
- 7. Deadline dates are the last day an appeal can be submitted to the SFAO for aid consideration in that semester. Appeals should only be submitted for semesters you are enrolled, intend to enroll and have posted deadlines on this form.