

# FINANCIAL AID SATISFACTORY ACADEMIC PROGRESS (SAP) FOR UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

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The purpose of the Financial Aid Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) Requirement for Undergraduate Students is to make students aware of the minimal rate at which they must progress toward graduation to maintain eligibility for Title IV Financial Aid including the Pell Grant, TEACH Grant, SEOG, Direct loan, Parent PLUS loan and Work Study. This policy is also used for Institutional aid.

To support students in achieving these standards, Niagara University monitors each student's quantitative and qualitative progress at the end of the fall and spring semesters and at the end of the summer sessions. The quantitative measurement or pace, completing a minimum number of cumulative credit hours each semester, ensures that students are making progress toward their degree goals. The qualitative measurement, earning an appropriate cumulative GPA, ensures that students are succeeding in their coursework. Federal standards of satisfactory academic progress also include a maximum time frame measurement.

If any one of these standards is not being met, the student is not making SAP towards their degree or maintaining eligibility for federal or institutional financial aid.

Please find the full Financial Aid Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) Requirements for Undergraduate Students on our website, listed under the resources for the current academic year.

- Financial Aid Resources (<https://www.niagara.edu/tuition-aid/financial-aid/financial-aid-resources/>)

For more information about how Academic Progress Standards are applied for the purpose of academic success and intervention, please review the policy found here:

- Academic Progress Standards: Undergraduate Students ([https://mynu.niagara.edu/mynu3/resources/policy/view\\_policy.php?id=55](https://mynu.niagara.edu/mynu3/resources/policy/view_policy.php?id=55))