

TEG Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy

To continue receiving the Tuition Equalization Grant (TEG), students must meet the following academic requirements. TEG eligibility is reviewed annually in May, and students must also meet federal academic standards. If a student is placed on federal financial aid suspension, they will also be on TEG suspension.

Undergraduate Students

- ***Initial Year (First Year)*** - At the end of an undergraduate student's initial (first) academic year to receive TEG, the student must:
 - *Maintain a **2.0 GPA**.*
 - *Successfully complete **66.67%** of attempted courses.*
 - *If these standards aren't met, the student will be on **Warning** for one semester but can still receive federal and state aid (federal SAP requirements)*
- ***Renewal (After Second Year)*** - At the end of an undergraduate student's second year to receive a TEG Grant, the student must:
 - *Maintain a **2.50 GPA**.*
 - *Complete at least **24 credit hours** during the year.*
 - *Complete **75%** of courses attempted.*
 - *Failure to meet these standards results in **loss of TEG eligibility** until requirements are met.*
- ***Maximum Time Frame:***
 - *Students in a 4-year program lose TEG eligibility after **5 consecutive years**.*
 - *Students in a program longer than 4 years lose eligibility after **6 consecutive years**.*

Graduate Students

- ***Initial Year*** - If a graduate student is receiving TEG for the very first time, at the end of the academic year the student must:
 - *Maintain a **3.0 GPA**.*
 - *Complete **67%** of attempted courses.*
- ***Renewal (After Second Year)*** - At the end of a graduate student's second year to receive an undergraduate or graduate TEG, the student must:
 - *Maintain a **3.0 GPA**.*
 - *Complete at least **18 credit hours**.*
 - *Complete **75%** of courses attempted.*
- ***Maximum Time Frame:***
 - *No maximum time frame for graduate students if eligibility requirements are met.*

Re-establishing Eligibility

Hardship Provisions (for students awarded TEG after 2005) - If enrollment is **less than three quarter time**, a hardship approval may be granted for/if:

- **Reduced Enrollment:** Hardship approval may be granted for reduced enrollment due to:
 - taking fewer hours to complete a degree, UG < 9 hours, GR < 7.5 hours (award amount will be prorated per the proration chart).
 - illness or caregiving responsibilities (proper documentation required). *EXAMPLES: a physician determines that due to the student's illness they should not enroll full-time, or if a student must care for a mother recovering from major surgery and limit enrollment.*
- **Appeals:** Students who fail to meet academic standards due to illness or caregiving can appeal for a hardship provision. Such situations would require a TEG Hardship and Suspension Appeal Form to be completed and supported by proper documentation to be considered and approved.
- **Maximum Time Frame Appeals:** If an undergraduate student exceeds the maximum time limit, they can appeal to the financial aid office if there are documented mitigating circumstances.

Reinstating TEG Eligibility

- Students who fail to meet requirements can make up missed credits in the summer (at DBU or an accredited university). After the credits are completed, transferred, and recorded, they can submit an appeal to regain TEG eligibility.
- If the credits aren't made up, TEG eligibility is lost for the next year.
- Students failing to meet GPA requirements (2.5 UG and 3.0 GR) can take summer courses at DBU to improve their GPA and submit an appeal if the required GPA is reached. Courses taken at other universities cannot be used to raise the GPA.