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## **Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) Appeal Form**

Students not meeting SAP may appeal IF unusual circumstances have impacted academic results (i.e., student's serious illness or accident; death; accident or serious illness in the student's immediate family; successful completion of one degree and attempting a second if appealing the 150% rule; other mitigating circumstances. Note: Pregnancy is not a mitigating circumstance.) The complete SAP policy can be viewed at <a href="https://www.mecc.edu/students/paying-for-college/satisfactory-academic-progress-policy/">www.mecc.edu/students/paying-for-college/satisfactory-academic-progress-policy/</a>

ALL INFORMATION MUST BE COMPLETED. INCOMPLETE APPEALS WILL BE RETURNED TO THE STUDENT WITH NO DECISION REGARDING REINSTATEMENT OF FINANCIAL AID.

<b>STEP 1</b> : Student ID Number: Student Name:
VCCS Email:
STEP 2: Indicate the year and term for which you are appealing (only select one):
Year: Summer Fall Spring
<b>STEP 3</b> : Indicate the reason for your appeal. If unsure, please refer to the information provided in the email from the financial aid office.
I have a Low Grade Point Average (GPA).
☐ I have successfully completed less than 67% of the credits attempted.
☐ I have exceeded the Maximum Time Frame of 150% of credits required to graduate in my current program of study.
<b>STEP 4</b> : All students completing an appeal must meet with their advisor to fill in the information requested below and attach a copy of their degree progress report to this form.
Academic Program:
Est. Date of Graduation: # of credits needed for program completion:
I confirm that I have met with the above named student to discuss their current academic program, degree progress and course selection. I have provided the student with a copy of his or her degree progress report to attach to this appeal form.
Advisor Name/Signature: Date:

**STEP 5**: In the space below please detail the specific reason(s) that you feel have contributed to your not meeting satisfactory academic progress (SAP). Include all of the following:

- 1. Detailed information regarding when these circumstances began and how they specifically affected your ability to complete the course(s) or semester successfully.
- 2. Detailed information about what has changed with your situation that you feel will allow you to make satisfactory academic progress if you are reinstated. *Students may not use the same reason for more than one appeal.*
- 3. In addition to your written statement, attach any necessary documentation that substantiates your claim. Examples include copies of death certificates/notices, physician's statements. If more space is needed, please attach additional pages. Include your name and Student ID number on all attached documents.

<b>STEP 6</b> : By signing this form, I certify that all i	nformation on this f	orm (and any attachmen	es) is truthful and accurate.
Saving and submitting this form (and any atta and I certify that this information is truthful ar		ny VCCS email, serves as	my electronic signature
Name/Signature		Date	
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