

# ACADEMIC STANDARDS & ADVISING

## Undergraduate Academic Standards

The following standards apply to students enrolled in the online Applied Computer Science Post-Baccalaureate Program

### Grade Point Average

A student is required to maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher in order to maintain good academic standing and qualify for graduation.

### Grade Policies

Students in the CSPB program must complete all core courses with a grade of a C- or better. If the minimum grade is not achieved in a core course, the student is required to repeat the course until the minimum acceptable grade has been earned (maximum of 3 graded attempts total to master the subject content at the required level).

The minimum passing grade for a course that is considered a prerequisite for another course is C-, allowing a student to progress through the curriculum and apply these courses towards degree requirements. If the minimum required grade in a prerequisite course is not achieved, the student is required to repeat the course until the minimum acceptable grade has been earned (maximum of 3 graded attempts total to master the subject content at the required level). If a student takes the advanced (post-requisite) course, it does not remove the obligation to meet the prerequisite course minimum grade requirement, even if the grade earned in the advanced course is acceptable.

Elective courses must be passed with a grade of a D- unless serving as a prerequisite, in which case a C- or better will be required. Students must maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher in the program.

### Academic Standing and Dismissal

University Academic Standing policies (<https://catalog.colorado.edu/undergraduate/academic-records/#academicstandingtext>) apply to all degree-seeking undergraduate students at CU Boulder. More details regarding good academic standing, academic alert, academic warning, academic suspension, and academic dismissal are available on the Office of the Registrar's website (<https://www.colorado.edu/registrar/students/your-information-records/academic-standing/>).

## Graduate Academic Standards (including Canvas-Based Programs)

### Grade Point Average

A student is required to maintain at least a B (3.00) average in all work attempted while enrolled in the Graduate School, and must have at least a 3.00 cumulative average to receive a graduate degree.

### Grade Policies

1. A student who receives a grade of C+ or below in a course may retake the course under the grade replacement policy (<https://www.colorado.edu/registrar/students/degree-planning/grade-replacement/>), if eligibility standards are met.

2. Courses in which grades below C (2.00) are received are not accepted for master's degree programs or for the removal of academic deficiencies.
3. Courses taken toward the fulfillment of requirements for graduate degrees may not be taken pass/fail.

### Academic Standing and Dismissal

Students are subject to academic requirements and standards for adequate progress placed both by the Graduate School and by their graduate program.

A student whose cumulative GPA falls below 3.00 is placed on academic warning. The student generally has two semesters in which to raise the cumulative GPA to 3.00 or above. If the student's cumulative GPA is at or below 2.50, a dean's administrative stop is placed on the student's record, and the student may be withdrawn from coursework for upcoming semesters. If there are extenuating circumstances, the department chair/program director may petition the Dean of the Graduate School showing compelling reasons for the student to be granted a chance to continue.

If a student does not earn a 3.0 GPA in all courses taken in the first of two academic warning semesters, or if after the two-semester academic warning period the student's cumulative GPA is still below 3.00 (or if other conditions placed by the major department or Graduate School are not met) a dean's administrative stop will be placed on the student's record and they may be subject to dismissal.

Students are also subject to academic requirements and standards for adequate progress placed by their graduate program. Based upon Regent Law and Regent Policy, an academic dismissal decision is made by the dean of the Graduate School upon the program's recommendation. Should the student be dismissed from the program, a dean's administrative stop is placed on the student's record and the student is withdrawn from classes for any future semesters.

## Student Ethics

### Academic Dishonesty

The University of Colorado Boulder is dedicated to maintaining the highest standards of intellectual honesty. Commitment to these standards is the responsibility of every student, faculty and staff member. The Honor Code (<https://www.colorado.edu/sccr/students/honor-code-and-student-code-conduct/>) was designed to uphold CU Boulder's standards of academic integrity and intellectual honesty, as well as to provide quick resolution of reports of student academic misconduct. The Honor Code process is supported by the Boulder Faculty Assembly.

All students of the University of Colorado Boulder are subject to the Honor Code for academic matters. Students must sign a statement agreeing to abide by all university policies, including the Honor Code, as a condition of admission to the university. Students who violate may be subject to discipline as set forth by the Honor Code.

### Research Integrity

All research and scholarly/creative work must comply with requirements regarding research integrity. Allegations of plagiarism, fabrication, falsification, and other forms of research misconduct will be investigated by the Standing Committee on Research Misconduct. The Office of Research Integrity (<https://www.colorado.edu/researchinnovation/rcr/research-misconduct/>) provides further information and clarification on related issues and processes. Students should also review the university

policy (<https://www.cu.edu/ope/aps/1007/>) on Misconduct in Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activities.

## **Advising for Canvas-Based Online Programs**

CU Boulder Online provides dedicated academic advisors for each of the fully online, Canvas-based programs. Advisors provide expert guidance regarding degree planning, registration, academic policies and procedures, as well as graduation requirements and planning. Academic advisors also provide holistic student success services by orienting all new students to their programs, assisting students with navigating campus departments and resources, and communicating important program updates.

Students can find program-specific advisor contact information on each of the program pages on the CU Boulder Online website (<https://online.colorado.edu/.html>).