Policy Narrative

Students and college employees have a shared responsibility to implement the policy in the interest of upholding standards of academic performance and achieving educational outcomes.

Students who are placed on probation, suspension or disqualification will be notified by NIC after final grades are posted for each semester. These notifications will include steps which must be taken as outlined in the attached procedures to continue registration or to petition for reinstatement in adherence with such deadlines as established by the college.

Students must maintain a minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.00 to be considered in good academic standing. Students who do not meet this standard will be placed on academic probation, suspension or disqualification as defined below.

**Academic Probation**

Students whose cumulative GPA is below a 2.00 will be placed on academic probation. Students on probation who earn a semester GPA of at least a 2.00 will be placed on continued probation until their cumulative GPA is at least a 2.00. Students on probation
who do not earn a semester GPA of at least a 2.00 will be placed on academic suspension.

**Academic Suspension**

Students who have been placed on academic suspension must sit out one semester, summer not included, or petition to the Admissions and Academic Standards Committee to return the following semester. Students approved for reinstatement must abide by any conditions established by the Admissions and Academic Standards Committee.

**Academic Disqualification**

Students who have been placed on academic disqualification must petition to the Admissions and Academic Standards Committee in order to return to NIC. Students approved for reinstatement must abide by any conditions established by the Admissions and Academic Standards Committee.

Students on probation, suspension, or reinstated from disqualification who raise their cumulative GPA to at least the minimum 2.00, will return to good academic standing. Students on probation, suspension, or reinstated from disqualification must have the approval of a designated advisor to register each semester until good standing is achieved.

This policy is separate from financial aid policies governing satisfactory academic progress, and should always be considered whenever relevant for students on probation or suspension as defined herein.