

Involuntary Student Course Withdrawal Policy

Students can be involuntarily withdrawn from their courses by the administration:

- To protect the safety of the student and/or others or to protect the integrity of the College's learning environment when the student is not able or willing to withdraw from courses.
- Under extraordinary and/or unforeseen circumstances.
- After academic or disciplinary action that has a specified return date and the student has not returned by the specified time.

Students can appeal the Involuntary Withdrawal through the Student Code of Conduct due process procedures within ten work days after the withdrawal was completed.

The President will designate in administrative job descriptions those positions with the authority to administratively withdraw students from their courses, including both the chief student services and academic officers of the College.

BACKGROUND:

This policy gives the administration the authority to withdraw students from their classes as a last resort action to protect the safety of the student and/or others and the integrity of the College's learning environment. In creating this policy, particular attention was paid to like policies at other community colleges. The Student Affairs Council, President's Cabinet, Behavioral Intervention Team, Faculty Assembly, Student Government Association, and Academic Council reviewed the policy.

Note: This Background Statement was presented to the Board of Trustees along with the policy recommended for approval.