

# VETERANS STANDARDS OF PROGRESS

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LCCC, through the Enrollment, Financial, and Career Services division School Certifying Official team and under the direction of the provost/vice president for academic and learner services, will monitor/enforce standard practices for determining satisfactory progress and conduct of eligible persons receiving Veterans Administration (VA) benefits.

The School Certifying Official will develop, publicize and administer the institutional policies regarding continued pursuit and progress being made by Administration VA students.

College policy and academic records are maintained to reflect the progress of enrolled Administration VA students shall be the same as those prescribed for all LCCC students and shall contain grades for all classes attempted, together with the number of accumulated credit hours and the cumulative GPA. Not attending classes will affect your GPA and may lead to academic probation.

In addition, the Enrollment, Financial, and Career Services division will maintain all school records pertaining to enrollment certification and change of status of each enrolled VA student. The College policy relative to Standards of Progress for Veterans will be as follows:

VA requires that all students receiving veterans' benefits make satisfactory progress in pursuit of a degree objective. Any VA student unable to attend class is required to initiate a formal withdrawal in accordance with the College withdrawal policy, and to notify the SCO of the last date of attendance.

In accordance with the guidelines set forth for school, students receiving veterans' benefits will be held to the same standards as all other LCCC students. However, for the purpose of VA payments, applicants for Administration VA certification placed on academic probation must be reported to VA at the conclusion of each semester. Academic probation will require a student to reduce his/her course load and to register at the next regular semester registration for not more than twelve (12) credit hours of coursework; and not more than six credit hours of work in a regular eight-week summer semester or one class in a five-week summer term. This reduction in course load may have an impact on VA payments. Reducing hours below the full-time rate of pursuit will additionally reduce payments made to a student from VA.

All Veterans Administration students notified of failure to meet standards of progress will be notified by Enrollment, Financial, and Career Services division Veterans' Certifying Team and encouraged to pursue personal and academic counseling and possible enrollment in a tutorial program or other study skill activity as deemed advisable.

- The Veterans Administration student is responsible to notify the SCO of any changes in credit load status or educational goals.
- The Veterans Administration student is to pursue only those courses required for attainment of her/his particular educational goal.
- The Veterans Administration student is not permitted to receive the Veterans Administration payment for audited coursework.

The Veterans Administration student is responsible for knowing her/his eligibility for VA educational benefits and her/his financial responsibility

to Lorain County Community College for any tuition and charges not covered by her/his Veteran's benefits.

The Veterans Administration student is not permitted to repeat a course in which a passing grade has been received or for which credit has been granted. A letter grade of D is considered a passing grade by Veterans Administration regulations. There are limited exceptions to this rule.

The college academic records maintained by LCCC shall reflect the following data concerning Veterans Administration student progress:

- There shall be recorded a final grade for each course attempted except those dropped within the first 12 weeks of any semester.
- The dates of partial withdrawal and complete withdrawal shall be maintained on the formal withdrawal slip and also on the registration form for the semester.