

**COLORADO COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM
EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COUNCIL GUIDELINES**

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Credit Completion Progress Standard

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Application

For students who have attempted fewer than 9 credit hours, the college will monitor credit completion through an Alert process. These students are not subject to the Credit Completion Progress guideline.

Credit Completion Progress standards apply to all students who have attempted 9 or more credits at a CCCS college, regardless of the number of term credits they attempt from that point forward. Credit Completion Progress standards shall be applied consistently and uniformly within each CCCS institution. All colleges will determine Credit Completion Progress standards following the posting of the majority of term grades for each semester. Students placed on warning 1, warning 2 or warning 3 will be notified of their status. Credit Completion Progress status will be maintained in the student information system. Students placed on a warning status will be notified via their college portal. Colleges may choose to notify students of their status via other methods as well. The Credit Completion Progress status of a student is specific to the home institution and **does not** impact a student's enrollment at other CCCS colleges.

Principle

Designates a practice for measuring and notifying students of their credit completion rate.

Guideline

Recognizing the value of credit completion for all students with regards to retention, transfer and credential attainment, the Colorado Community College System (CCCS) has established the following practice and procedures for measuring and notifying students of their credit completion progress. This procedure is intended to be informational and helpful, but also establishes clear standards of credit completion progress

that must be met and maintained in order to be a successful student in our colleges. CCCS colleges are encouraged to devise and implement appropriate Alert and Retention strategies with regards to credit completion progress.

Definitions:

Credit Completion Progress: Will include all credit bearing classes (developmental and college level) will be used to calculate the percent of attempted credits passed. This includes summer term courses.

Only courses taken "in residence" will be used for this calculation; "In residence" means taken at the students home institution. Courses taken elsewhere and transferred in do not apply. The credit completion rate for this procedure will not necessarily match those used for financial aid purposes or athletic eligibility.

Grades considered to be passing when computing the percent of attempted credits passed are as follows: A, B, C, D, S/A, S/B, S/C, and S.

Grades considered to be failing when computing the percent of attempted credits passed are as follows: I, F, U/D, U/F, W, and AW.

Course Completion Rate is calculated by dividing the total attempted credits by the number of credits successfully completed as per the definitions above.

Practice standards:

Initial Standing

Student has attempted fewer than 9 cumulative credit hours will not be assessed for credit completion.

Good Standing

Student has attempted at least 9 cumulative credit hours and has a cumulative course completion rate of at least 50%.

Warning 1

Student has attempted at least 9 cumulative credit hours **and** has a cumulative course completion rate of less than 50% for the first time.

Warning 2

Student has attempted at least 9 cumulative credit hours **and** has a cumulative course completion rate of less than 50% for the second time.

Warning (Continued)

If a student on Credit Completion Probation passes 50% or more of their attempted term credits, but fails to raise their cumulative completion rate to 50%, they will be allowed to continue the next term, but will remain on Credit Completion Probation.

Warning 3

Student has attempted at least 9 cumulative credit hours **and** has a cumulative course completion rate of less than 50% for the third time.

Warning Rules:

- Students on Warning 1 will receive a communication regarding their credit completion status and will be given information on resources, best practices, etc.
- Students on Warning 2 will receive a communication regarding their credit completion status **and** will have a credit completion hold (which will impact registration) placed on their student account at their home college. The student will not be able to make any changes to their student account until they meet with an advisor.

- Students on Warning 3 will receive a communication regarding their credit completion status **and** will have a credit completion hold (which will impact registration) placed on their student account at their home college. The student will not be able to make any changes to their student account until they meet with an advisor. **The college reserves the right to limit the number of credit hours** that the student may take when a student is on Warning 3 status.