

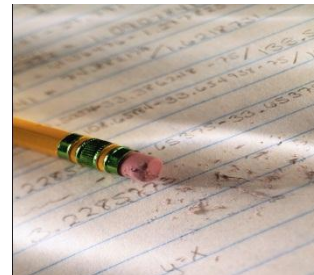
Financial Aid and Academic Reinstatement Information

Skagit Valley College wants every student to succeed. Your academic success starts with selecting the right classes, degrees, and programs. We recommend working closely with a faculty advisor, academic counselor, or SVC Live Online Advisor. Even the most prepared student can find themselves in an academic hardship. If you are placed on Academic Alert, Probation or Dropped for Low Scholarship while receiving financial aid you will be notified in writing of your status. It is the student's responsibility to contact the Financial Aid Office for requirements of a [Petition for Reinstatement](#).

- If your petition is approved, you will get an e-mail telling you that financial aid will be continued.
- If your petition is denied, you will get a message (by mail) saying you need to pay or drop classes and will have a short period of time to respond.

Typical reasons students report for not succeeding:

- Online classes more difficult than expected
- Medical or personal problems
- Math is difficult
- Family problems/emergencies
- Working too many hours



Take steps to prepare for these things or decide whether or not it's time to be in school. Some helpful information can be found at [SVC - Skagit Valley College - Resources for Academic Success](#) and [SVC - Skagit Valley College - Satisfactory Progress Policy](#).



We can support you in a number of ways, but it's up to you to own your education.

Key Questions for Success in College

Is this the right time for you to be in college?

- If you don't succeed next quarter, you will not be able to come back because of your academic status. In some cases, it may be better to take a quarter off and come back when you're ready to succeed.

Should you consider studying part time for now?

- You don't have to be a full time student to receive financial aid funds.

Need help in a specific class?

- The Tutoring Center located in room L-20 of the Mount Vernon Campus and room C6 of Whidbey Island Campus provides tutoring support for students in a number of subject areas. Go early in the quarter—before it's too late!

Is math a challenge for you?

- The Math Center located in F-212 of the Mount Vernon Campus and room C5 of Whidbey Island Campus is a place to find tutoring, study groups, and a relaxed atmosphere in which to tackle your math homework.

Do you have the tools to succeed in college?

- College success (CSS 100) classes are offered most quarters. This two credit class is a "must-take" if you're new to the college experience.

Do you know enough about computers?

- Basic computer classes (OFTEC 101) help students with the basics of word processing, E-mail, and Internet use.

Do you know how to use your Blackboard/Moodle and MySVC accounts?

- In Mount Vernon the Technology Concierge is a student located in the lobby of the Cardinal Center and the Whidbey Island Campus Library/Computer Lab has a student who can answer all of your SVC technology questions.

Do you know your instructors and do they know you?

- Your instructors want to work with you. They have office hours and are usually available via e-mail to answer your questions.

Are you taking the right classes?

- You're more likely to succeed if you mix classes that are difficult for you with others that you find easier.

Are you putting in enough time studying?

- Plan to spend two hours outside of class for every credit hour you are taking (a five credit class really takes 15 hours of your week.)

What about working while I'm in school?

- Work study jobs are available on and off campus. Campus employers are more likely to work with your class schedule and you won't waste time traveling between school and work.

How does your education fit into your future career?

- Career development (Psych 104) classes are offered every quarter that help you plan for future work while you study.

Does your use of alcohol and drugs get in the way?

- If so, get help before trying to continue your studies.