## **Staying-On-Course Program**

Staying on Course (SOC) is a mandatory support program for all students on academic probation (AP), as well as students who are readmitted from suspension (RS).

The overall goal of the Staying on Course Program is to retain and return these students to good academic standing. The program is designed to promote effective academic practices and behaviors. Students are either enrolled in the three credit course Learning Strategies for Academic Success or the one credit course Staying On Course class for students who have already completed Learning Strategies with a "C" or better. The students are identified each semester by the Registrar through the BANNER System.

Staying On Course is a mandatory support class for all students on academic probation as well as students who are readmitted from suspension. However, this class is open to all students who wish to improve their learning/study skills. The objective of this course is to promote effective academic practices and social behaviors. The overall goal of the "Staying On Course" class is to retain and return students to good academic standing. Students enrolled in this one credit course have already completed the "Learning Strategies for Academic Success" course with a grade of "C" or better. This one credit class does not count towards credit for graduation. If the student on academic probation or readmitted suspension does not pass the class satisfactorily, he/she may be recommended for academic suspension or dismissal. The student must retake the class upon returning to the University.

The general assembly meeting for AP and RS students is the Friday prior to the beginning of the fall and spring semester, in the Bank of America Building, Longwood Auditorium. At the meeting, packets of information are distributed to the students. This information includes the procedures regarding academic probation, academic calendar, SOC schedule of activities, important campus support programs and numbers, SOC program goals and objectives, and a "Staying-On-Course Contract."

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