

SATISFACTORY ACADEMIC PROGRESS FOR FINANCIAL AID

Federal regulations mandate that all students make satisfactory academic progress towards completion of a degree in order to receive federal financial aid through Title IV grant and loan programs. The academic progress of all Bel-Rea students is reviewed at the end of each quarter for compliance with the U.S. Department of Education's requirements.

To be eligible for federal financial aid while attending Bel-Rea, students must maintain Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) as described below:

1. **Students must maintain a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 ("C").**
2. **Qualitative:** Students must successfully complete 70% of the credit hours attempted each quarter.
3. **Quantitative:** The maximum time frame for which a student can receive federal financial aid is 1 ½ times Bel-Rea's standard program length of 125 credits (187 credit hours). Students are placed on Financial Aid Warning once they are within 175 attempted credit hours.

Note: You must be enrolled in at least six credits each quarter (half-time status) to be eligible for federal student loans.

IF YOU DO NOT MEET SATISFACTORY ACADEMIC PROGRESS STANDARDS:

When students fail to meet SAP standards, they are placed on Financial Aid Warning the following quarter (during which time they may continue to receive federal financial aid). Students that do not meet SAP standards at the end of the Financial Aid Warning period will be placed on Financial Aid Termination and will be ineligible to receive federal financial aid. Students on Financial Aid Termination will remain on termination until they once again meet SAP requirements or are reinstated due to a successful appeal. Appeals for extenuating circumstances are considered on a case-by-case basis by the Financial Aid Office. The full SAP Policy, including details on satisfactory progress, the appeal process, and reinstatement is available at www.belrea.edu/financial-aid or through the Financial Aid Office.