

# University Scholarships and Financial Aid



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**SATISFACTORY ACADEMIC  
PROGRESS (SAP)**



**VIRGINIA TECH.**

# SAP Standards

- Minimum Cumulative GPA – 2.0
- Pace of Progress - Earned credits/  
attempted credits – 67%
- Maximum Time-Frame (Hours)- total  
credits attempted – 150%

# SAP Appeal Form

- Student completes and signs.
- Student gives an explanation of the reason for the appeal.
- Student explains how things will change in the upcoming semester so that they can be successful and return to SAP compliance.
- Student uploads to USFA along with documentation.

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Documentation

- Supports the reason(s) the student gives for failure to meet SAP.
- Sources may include but are not limited to counselor, doctor, therapist, police, clergy, Cooks Counseling, or Services for Students with Disabilities, etc.
- Letters of recommendation for approval are not considered 3<sup>rd</sup> party documents.

# Approved Appeal

- **Student receives a SAP Academic Plan (formerly SAP Contract) from USFA**
- **Student must sign and return SAP Academic Plan before aid will pay.**
- **Academic Plan requirements include:**
  - GPA minimum**
  - Only courses required to complete**
  - Not withdrawing**

# University SAP Appeal

This final option to appeal is available when students have been through the regular financial aid Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) appeal process and have been denied an appeal or failed contract and feel that they have extraordinary circumstances which merit an additional review.

This process takes longer as it involves other members of the University outside of USFA.

The form for this is only available through our office it is not on the website.

Approved University SAP appeals will also receive an Academic Plan.