



Student Success Center

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ACTION PLAN for ACADEMIC SUCCESS for DISMISSED STUDENTS

To reposition yourself for academic success at any college or university, we recommend that you:

- ☐ **Attend a community college (or other institution) and demonstrate success.** Earning a 2.5 or better grade point average at a community college will better demonstrate your ability to do college-level work and will strengthen your credentials so that you may seek admission to another four-year institution or readmission to the University of Tennessee at a future date. If you wish to pursue readmission to UT, please note the following:
 - You can complete many of your UT general education requirements at a community college. To assist you with course selection, the University has transfer equivalency tables for all two-year schools in Tennessee. You can view this information on the web at <http://registrar.tennessee.edu/transfer/agreements.shtml>.
 - If you wish to take courses at an institution outside the state of Tennessee, please discuss your course selection with an advisor in the College of Arts and Sciences Advising Services at (865) 974-4483.
 - Community college grades will not replace any grades from UT (grades do not transfer; credits do).
 - You must earn a grade point average of 2.5 or better in order to be eligible for readmission.

- ☐ **Develop your academic success skills.** Visit the following websites to identify strengths and overcome weaknesses in your study skills and learning strategies:
 - <http://studentsuccess.tennessee.edu/tutoring/selfhelp.htm>
Complete the assessments to determine your strengths and weaknesses; follow suggestions to improve your study skills.
 - <http://www.ucc.vt.edu/stdysk/stdyhlp.html>
Begin by clicking on “Study Skills Inventory” to complete and get an assessment of your skills and areas for improvement. You can then complete online workshops based on your areas of need.

- ☐ **Explore options for majors and careers.** Continue to explore options for a major that might best fit your interests, abilities, and career goals. Determine whether you can successfully earn the major and degree you would like to earn at UT or if your interests would be best served at another college or university.
 - On the UT Career Services website at <http://career.utk.edu/> under the heading of “choosing a major,” you will find resources that can assist you in clarifying your plans.
 - Perform an in-depth review of UT’s Undergraduate Catalog, including majors offered, course requirements, and most importantly, progression requirements and/or standards for successfully gaining entry into and earning your degree.
 - Investigate majors offered, course requirements, and standards for acceptance and graduation for various majors at other colleges and universities.

- ☐ **If applicable, become familiar with resources and services for students with disabilities.** Explore websites, undergraduate catalogs, and/or visit offices to learn what services are provided and the process for registering at the institution where you plan to earn your degree. Whether you plan to pursue your education at another institution or pursue readmission to UT, it is your responsibility to follow through with the disability services office and to utilize the resources available to you as a means to assist you. For UT:
 - If you are **not registered** with UT’s Office of Disability Services, 2227 Dunford Hall: visit the ODS website at <http://ods.utk.edu/index.html> to familiarize yourself with the registration process. Included on the website are “Documentation Guidelines” for various disabilities, which will help you to determine what documentation is necessary to become registered for services as an individual with a disability.
 - If you are **already registered** with ODS: Meet with your coordinator before the beginning of your returning semester to discuss your accommodations and how best to utilize them in your coursework.

- ☐ **Become familiar with UT’s Academic Second Opportunity policy.** Academic Second Opportunity provides eligible students an opportunity to “start over” at UT with a new grade point-average. Students become eligible for the program only after an absence from UT Knoxville for at least three full calendar years. Please see <http://registrar.tennessee.edu/records/aso.shtml> for details.

- ☐ **Be aware of deadlines.** If you plan to reapply to UT following an absence of one full calendar year or more, you must apply by April 1 for summer readmission; June 1 for fall readmission; November 1 for spring readmission. Please see <http://admissions.utk.edu/undergraduate/readmit.shtml> for the readmission application for dismissed students.

For additional advice, contact: **The Student Success Center**
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(865) 946-HELP; <http://studentsuccess.tennessee.edu/>.