BoGw Eligibility Requirements

Maintain 2.0+ GPA
Complete 61% of units attempted

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Academic Standard (GPA)
Sustain a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of at least 2.0. If your cumulative GPA falls below 2.0 you may be placed on academic probation.

Progress Standard (Unit Completion)
Cumulative satisfactory completion of 61% or more of attempted units. If your cumulative satisfactory completion of attempted units is 60% or below, you may be placed on progress probation.

Board of Governors Fee Waiver and Priority Registration

Whether you want to move into a career or move on to a four-year university, San Diego City, Mesa and Miramar Colleges want to help you achieve your educational goals. To help support student success, the state provides students with two valuable incentives to meet academic and progress standards: The Board of Governors Fee Waiver (BOGW) and Registration Priority.

The Board of Governors Fee Waiver (BOGW), available to eligible students, will waive your per unit enrollment fee at any California community college throughout the state.

Registration priority allows you to register early, giving you the best selection of courses. If you are in a degree or certificate program or planning to transfer to a four-year college or university, priority registration will help you define your goals, stay on track, and take the most direct route from start to finish.

Once you’ve qualified for enrollment priority and the BOG Fee Waiver, it’s important to ensure that you’re meeting the academic and progress standards in order to avoid losing it. Meet with a counselor to establish your educational pathway.
DON’T WAIT UNTIL IT’S TOO LATE
CONTACT COUNSELING TODAY TO FIND YOUR PATH TO SUCCESS

New State Regulations on Loss of BOGW and Enrollment Priority

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The best way to maintain and/or regain your eligibility for the BOGW and enrollment priority is to be in good academic standing. To do so you’ll maintain an overall GPA of 2.0 or more, and complete 61% or more of total units attempted.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: How will I know if I lost my BOGW and registration priority?
A: After grades have been finalized, you will be notified by email if you are disqualified as a result of your grades or lack of progress while on academic or progress probation. Students who are disqualified are no longer eligible for the BOGW and will lose their registration priority.

Q: I received a notice that I lost my eligibility for the BOGW, what can I do?
A: There are still options available in order to regain your BOGW eligibility. Meet with a counselor to discuss options to help you get back on track:
• Increase your GPA and successfully complete classes to get off of probation, or
• Submit an appeal if you believe you were disqualified due to extenuating circumstances, or
• Sit out for one academic year

Q: Why is City, Mesa and Miramar College implementing this new requirement?
A: State regulations enacted in 2014 require students to meet minimum academic and progress standards in order to be eligible for the Board of Governors Fee Waiver. These changes, along with policies governing registration priority, are part of the state Student Success Initiative.

By establishing minimum academic and progress standards for both the BOGW and registration priorities, the state hopes to encourage students to focus on academic success and seek help when they face difficulties.

In order to help ensure students have access to critical support services, the state has increased funding for counseling and other support services to help students define their educational and career goals and stay on track to achieve them.

Q: Am I still eligible for other financial aid?
A: You may still be eligible for other financial aid if you are meeting satisfactory academic progress (SAP) requirements and have not been disqualified from financial aid. Contact your financial aid office right away for more information.

Q: Is there a unit cap for maintaining my BOGW?
A: No, unlike registration priority, students will not lose their eligibility for the BOGW if they have earned 100+ units or completed a bachelor’s degree or higher.

Q: How do I appeal?
A: Students who believe their academic performance is based on circumstances outside their control, or believe they have made substantial academic improvement, may appeal the loss of BOGW eligibility by submitting a Loss of BOGW/Enrollment Priority Petition to the Dean of Student Development by the petition deadline posted on student web services (studentweb.sdccd.edu).

Petitions will be reviewed in the order they are received.