Important Considerations When Withdrawing

This checklist will help you understand how withdrawing could impact your life as a student. Speak with staff in the following departments about these topics prior to withdrawing from any courses:

- **Financial Aid Counselor**
  - Current eligibility for federal or state aid. If withdrawing from all courses, discuss the Return Title IV Aid policy and its implications for current-term financial aid.
  - Future financial aid eligibility. Financial aid programs have lifetime limits. Understand these limits before you withdraw.
  - Enrollment changes from full- to part-time status. Credit hours can affect the amount of your financial aid and may affect your eligibility for any enrollment-dependent benefits, such as loan deferment or certain types of insurance.
  - Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP). You are required to make measurable progress toward a degree to remain eligible for financial aid, and your withdrawal will impact progress. Read our Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) Policy.
  - Student loan deferment. Upon withdrawal, the grace period will begin on your federal student loans and repayment will begin if you do not re-enroll in the minimum credit hours before the grace period concludes. Contact your loan servicer for information on how withdrawal will affect repayment. You can find your loan servicer by logging into the Federal Student Aid website.
  - Increased educational expense. The overall cost of your education will increase when you withdraw. It will take you longer to complete your degree, and you have spent money on unearned coursework (because you have paid for courses for which you will not receive grades). You may also have to take out more loans to complete your degree, have reduced student aid eligibility, and other factors.

- **Tuition Counselor**
  - Any outstanding balance you may currently have.
  - If you have a payment plan, how your withdrawal could affect your enrollment in that.

- **Department of Housing, Dining, and Student Centers**
  - The implications of your housing and/or meal plan agreement if you withdraw or reduce enrollment. Visit the Department of Housing, Dining, and Student Centers website for more information.
  - Any cancellation requirements or financial responsibility you may have.

- **Your Academic Advisor:**
  - Your anticipated withdrawal and your plans to return to DePaul University.
  - Re-admission procedures if you plan to leave for longer than one year.

- **Your health insurance provider:**
  - If you are covered under a parent’s health insurance, determine if you need to remain enrolled full-time to be eligible.

- **Other DePaul resources:**
  - The Dean of Students Office is an invaluable support to students. (773) 325-7290
  - University Counseling Services is always available to help. (312) 362-6923 (Loop); (773) 325-7779 (Lincoln Park)
  - Mission & Ministry can be of assistance in times of difficulty. (773) 325-7902
  - Center for Students with Disabilities may assist with accommodations and other services. (773) 325-1677
  - International Student & Scholar Services may assist international students with questions. (312) 362-8376

QUESTIONS? Contact DePaul Central