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### Important Terms:

#### Add/Drop Period

First two weeks (ten days) of each semester, when a student can add classes to and drop classes from their schedule

#### Prerequisite

A class that needs to be taken before another class, so the student is prepared to pass the class

#### Grade Point Average (GPA)

The grade point average (GPA) is a measure of academic scholarship and performance. A student's overall GPA is based on the record of all baccalaureate-level or post-baccalaureate-level courses attempted by that student.

#### Waitlist

When there are no more seats available in a class, a student can place themselves on a waitlist for the class. The waitlist allows students to wait for a course and be enrolled automatically if an open seat is available. By selecting wait list if class is full during enrollment, the student will be added to the waitlist for the course.

#### Academic Probation

An undergraduate student will be placed on Academic Probation if, during any academic term, the overall GPA or the cumulative CSUSM GPA falls below 2.0 (C average).

#### Academic Disqualification

To be Academically Disqualified usually refers to when your final grades are posted to your record and you now have fallen under the required GPA for the corresponding academic levels.

#### Academic Reinstatement

Once a student is disqualified, s/he may petition to be reinstated to the University.

#### Lower & Upper division

Lower: 100- and 200-level courses

Upper: 300- and 400-level courses

#### Commencement

Often referred to as "Graduation", the Commencement ceremony is just that, a ceremony. It's an end-of-spring semester celebration for students projected to successfully complete all their graduation requirements.

#### Graduation

The term in which you have officially and successfully completed all your graduation requirements. You must apply for the term (fall, spring, or summer) in which you plan to graduate through your Student Center in MyCSUSM.