Trends in Academic Probation and Suspension in Arts & Sciences, AY 2001-2 to 2006-7

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The college of arts and sciences requires students to maintain a 2.0 cumulative GPA. A student whose GPA is below 2.0 is placed on probation; if the GPA does not reach 2.0 at the end of the following term, he/she is suspended. In October 2007 the A & S advising office requested that we tabulate the numbers and percentages of new fall A & S students being placed on academic probation and/or being suspended by the end of their first spring, over the previous six years. Results are in the table below, for new freshmen and transfers entering in the fall of the year listed, and broken down by residency. There has been a clear increase in the last six years of freshman being placed on probation, and of being suspended. Transfer percentages have gone up and down.

- Percentages for freshmen and transfers were in the same range.
- Among freshmen, non-residents were more likely than residents to be placed on probation and to be suspended. Differences between residents and non-residents among transfers were small and inconsistent.

	Probation N %		Suspended N %		Total Entering Fall N
Freshmen					
NonRes					
01	317	19%	93	6%	1,651
02	333	19%	99	6%	1,736
03	368	20%	105	6%	1,797
04	377	24%	116	7%	1,556
05	341	26%	112	9%	1,301
06	448	25%	165	98	1,765
Res					
01	269	15%	100	5%	1,854
02	340	17%	106	5%	2,012
03	307	14%	92	4%	2,190
04	297	15%	80	4%	1,988
05	386	18%	120	6%	2,096
06	459	20%	174	8%	2,251

Transfers

NonRes					
01	60	18%	13	4%	335
02	65	20%	13	4%	327
03	54	16%	14	4%	345
04	68	22%	16	5%	315
05	51	19%	7	3%	262
06	54	20%	13	5%	273
Res					
01	111	15%	21	38	717
02	116	15%	37	5%	782
03	133	16%	40	5%	827
04	130	17%	45	6%	775
05	148	20%	56	88	733
06	116	17%	35	5%	666

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