REQUEST FOR FEDERAL FINANCIAL AID PROBATION

Student Name ________________________________ University ID ___________________________
Day Phone Number (______) ___________ Best time to reach you at this number _________________

This form provides you the opportunity to appeal the loss of Federal aid eligibility for failure to make Federal Satisfactory
Academic Progress (SAP) due to unusual circumstances. If your request is approved you will be placed on Financial Aid
Probation. If your request is denied, you will not be eligible to receive federal financial aid until you are meeting SAP
standards.

PLEASE DO NOT SUMIT THIS FORM UNLESS YOU WISH TO RECEIVE FEDERAL FINANCIAL AID (i.e. Pell Grant, SEOG,
Direct Loans, PLUS Loans, or Work-Study) Graduate students are limited to Direct Loans and Graduate PLUS loans
only.

There is a limit to the maximum number of times to receive federal financial aid probation:

- **Baccalaureate** – Maximum of two times, each lasting no longer than three consecutive semesters.
- **Associate** – One time only, lasting no longer than two semesters.
- **Graduate** – One time only, lasting no longer than two semesters.
- **Certificate** – One time only, lasting no longer than one semester.

Your appeal must include the following:

1. The reason(s) why you were unable to attain Federal Satisfactory Academic Progress. Examples include
death or illness of an immediate family member, difficulties in a program of study requiring you to change
your major, personal/emotional difficulties, or you had a serious illness. If your reason includes a serious
illness, you may be asked to provide proof such as a doctor’s note, hospital record, etc. Medical reasons may
be evaluated by the RIT Student Health Center to determine if the medical reason warrants consideration.

2. What steps you will take or have you taken, to ensure you are able to meet SAP standards?

3. You MUST submit a **Federal SAP Action Plan form**. This plan will show what you will academically
accomplish each semester to regain Federal SAP. You must meet or exceed the goals outlined in the plan to
continue to receive federal financial aid. **Contact the appropriate individual within your primary academic
unit to arrange an appointment for the creation of your Federal SAP Action Plan**.

Your request cannot be reviewed until we have this document. Provide your Federal SAP Action Plan from to the
responsible individual within your primary academic unit (i.e. academic advisor), and any applicable supporting
documentation. Your Federal SAP Action Plan MUST accompany this Financial Aid Probation request. **Both your
Financial Aid Probation and Federal SAP Action Plan must be received no later than 5 weeks from the start of the
next semester you are requesting federal aid (the deadline is no later than 3 weeks if your next semester is a
summer session)**. Otherwise, any federal aid awarded will be rescinded for the semester(s) you are not meeting
SAP. No exceptions are allowed.

Failure to follow these guidelines will result in automatic denial and thus the loss of federal aid eligibility.

*Please complete all the sections on the following page and attach an Action Plan from the designated individual
within your primary academic unit.*
Section A: Please describe why you were unable to attain Federal Satisfactory Academic Progress (attach additional paper if necessary).

Section B: Please provide an explanation of the steps you will/are taking to meet SAP (attach additional paper if necessary).

Section C: STATEMENT OF CERTIFICATION
I have reviewed the RIT Federal Satisfactory Academic Progress policies. The information provided on this form is true and accurate. I understand if approved for Financial Aid Probation, and I do not meet the minimal requirements of the Action Plan or it is determined that I cannot regain Federal SAP by the end of my approved Federal Financial Aid Probation period, I will lose federal aid eligibility until I meet federal SAP requirements. I recognize I may request Federal Financial Aid Probation in the future as long as I meet guidelines to re-apply.

Section D: SIGNATURE

Please upload this completed form to www.rit.edu/aid/upload and then select Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) document or mail to our office.

WARNING: If you purposely give false or misleading information on this worksheet, you may be fined, sentenced to prison, or both.

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