The Financial Aid Office has established Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) policies for financial aid applicants in compliance with federal and state regulations. Regulations require both qualitative and quantitative measurements. If you have been notified that you failed to meet the SAP requirements, a hold has been placed on your financial aid file and you are not eligible for federal and state financial aid for 2020-2021.

You may submit an appeal if you believe you have extenuating circumstances that impacted your ability to successfully complete your coursework. The SAP policy can be found by visiting https://www.csum.edu/web/financial-aid/financial-aid-policies.

APPEALING FOR REINSTATEMENT OF FINANCIAL AID

1. Explain why you did not achieve financial aid satisfactory academic progress (SAP) listing the circumstances that contributed to your not meeting financial aid SAP guidelines.

2. List the steps and/or detail of your academic plan that explains the actions you will take or have taken to correct or prevent the situation from reoccurring. Explain how this academic plan will ensure you will meet financial aid SAP guidelines in future terms.

3. You should attach appropriate documentation to verify and support your appeal. Documentation may be (but is not limited to) a statement from your doctor, counselor, minister, academic advisor or instructor.

4. You and an academic/department advisor must sign the certification statement at the end of the appeal form.

Step 1: Explain why you did not achieve financial aid satisfactory academic progress (check box below and attach a detailed explanation).

☐ Personal injury, illness, or physical disability (see documentation note in Step 3)
☐ Death/Illness of immediate family member
☐ Change in employment/work situation/Extreme financial emergency
☐ Home situation (please specify)
☐ Other (please specify)

Step 2: List the steps and/or detail of your academic plan that explains the actions you will take or have taken to correct or prevent the situation from reoccurring. Explain how this academic plan will ensure you will meet financial aid SAP guidelines in future terms. INCOMPLETE ACADEMIC PLANS WILL NOT BE REVIEWED.

Example: A student’s cumulative GPA is only 1.8 at the end of spring term. The student should indicate in his/her academic plan what progress he/she will make toward improving the cumulative GPA over multiple terms. Such as... “I plan on getting a 2.50 GPA for each of the next two terms, which should result in my achieving the required 2.0 cumulative GPA by the end of the next two terms.” We will be holding you to your academic plan, therefore it should be realistic and attainable within the given timeframe.

Academic Plan Explanation - (continued on the other side)
Academic Plan Explanation (cont.)

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**Step 3:** Attach documentation to support appeal. Documentation may be (but is not limited to) a statement from your doctor, counselor, minister, academic advisor or instructor.

**Step 4:** You and an academic/department advisor must sign and agree to the following certification statement.

**CERTIFICATION**

I certify that I have met with an academic/department advisor to develop an academic plan designed to assist me with meeting California Maritime Academy’s Satisfactory Academic Progress policy. I understand that in order to continue receiving financial aid I must be meeting the requirements of this academic plan. I further understand that if I fail to meet the terms of this plan, my financial aid will be suspended and I will have to regain financial aid eligibility at my own expense.

**Student Signature:** ________________________________ **Date:** ______________

**Advisor Certification:** I certify that I have met with this student and agree that the plan detailed above will enable the student to meet the University’s Satisfactory Academic Progress policy.

**Advisor Name** (please print): ______________________________

**Advisor Signature:** ________________________________ **Date:** ______________

Return this form to California Maritime Academy Financial Aid Office (we do not accept forms by email):

**By Mail:**
California Maritime Academy Financial Aid Office  (707) 654-1007
200 Maritime Academy Drive  **Attention:** Financial Aid
Vallejo, CA 94590

**By FAX:**

**In Person:**
Financial Aid Office,
Student Services Building