

Terminated Status

Options for International onshore Students

As an international student placed on terminated status you have three options:

1. Accept the termination decision and cease studying at Curtin
2. Appeal against the termination decision
3. Switch courses under appeal with risk (*See MORE IMPORTANT INFORMATION below*)

Any student terminated from a course due to failure to achieve satisfactory course progress has a right to appeal that decision.

If you are an International Onshore student studying within Australia on a student visa and have been terminated from your current course please be aware that, as a consequence of this you are potentially in breach of Student Visa Condition 8202 "Achieving Satisfactory Course Progress".

This breach may lead to the cancellation of your student visa by the Department of Immigration and Border Protection (DIBP) and a 3-year exclusion on further visa applications to Australia.

It is therefore extremely important that you understand the consequences of any decision you make in relation to this matter.

You are able to lodge an appeal against your termination and to have the decision reviewed by your Head of School. You must lodge your appeal within 20 working days (28 calendar days) of the date of receiving the Official Communication that notifies you of your Academic Status.

If you choose not to lodge an appeal, or your appeal is unsuccessful, the University will be required to report you to DIBP for breach of Student Visa Condition 8202 as soon as practicable after the outcome of your appeal is determined or the 20 working day appeal period expires.

To avoid being reported to DIBP you only have one option and that is to successfully appeal against your termination. (For more information on the Appeals process Please contact Student Assist or START team)

NOTE: It is your right to apply for admission to a second course at Curtin if you are terminated from a first course.

However, if your termination from the first course proceeds, under legislation the University is required to report you to DIBP for a breach of visa condition 8202.

Reporting to DIBP must occur even if you are successful in being admitted to a second course.

This means that irrespective of your admission to a second course, you risk cancellation of your visa and a 3 year exclusion being applied by DIBP. That decision whether or not to cancel your visa is a decision made by DIBP. Curtin has no influence on whatever decision DIBP may make.

Please bear this in mind as the University can take no responsibility for action taken by DIBP to cancel your visa. If this occurs, you will not be permitted to continue studying at Curtin and risk losing all fees paid for units you were enrolled in in the second course. You will also receive no credit for any uncompleted units at the time your visa is cancelled.

For these reasons you are strongly advised to think very carefully about whether it is worth the risk of applying for admission to a new course when you face being reported for termination from your first course.

For more information on the Appeals process or changing course :-

Student Assist. Building 106 ph. 9266 2900

Student Wellbeing Advisory service. Building 103 ph. 1800 244 043

