

Withdrawal Policy

Wabash provides a range of support services to address the medical needs of students, including mental health issues. These services are described online at: <https://www.wabash.edu/studentlife/health>.

Actions taken under this Withdrawal Policy are not intended to be disciplinary, but there may be overlap in situations where a student engages in behavior that also implicates Wabash's student conduct expectations as set forth in the Gentleman's Rule ([The Gentleman's Rule | Wabash College](#)) for which the student may be disciplined

Voluntary Withdrawal: There may be circumstances in which students experience health needs beyond what they can obtain while enrolled as a college student. In such circumstances, students may seek to voluntarily withdraw from the College. Any student wishing to withdraw should contact the Dean of Students' Office.

Involuntary Withdrawal: In certain situations where a student does not want to withdraw voluntarily, a representative from the Dean of Students' Office, as designated by the Dean, in consultation with the Counseling Center, Accessibility Services, the Dean of the College or his designee, Safety and Security, Student Health Service, and/or relevant division or departmental staff, has the authority to mandate withdrawal. This may include situations where, based upon the student's available medical information and best available objective evidence,

- a student is unable or unwilling to carry out substantial self-care obligations or engage in appropriate academic and/or student life;
- a student poses a significant risk to the safety, health, and well-being of the campus community; and/or
- a student poses a significant risk to his own safety.

In such instances, Wabash will conduct an individualized assessment to determine if there are reasonable accommodations or academic adjustments that would permit the student to continue at Wabash safely. Nothing in this policy limits Wabash's ability to take immediate temporary action while assessment of a situation occurs.

Wabash may require a student to submit to a medical examination to determine whether their condition or behavior may constitute a hazard to themselves, any other student, or the campus community and to assess the appropriateness of accommodations. Whether an individualized medical assessment is required and the terms of any assessment, including the professional conducting the assessment, may be established by Wabash based on the particular circumstances of the situation.

Procedure for Involuntary Withdrawal: As part of the individualized assessment, Wabash will provide notice to the student and an opportunity to provide information he wants Wabash to consider. Wabash will give careful consideration to that information, giving it the weight appropriate under the circumstances. Decisions regarding involuntary withdrawals may be

appealed in writing to the Dean of Students. Any appeal must be received by the Dean of Students within five days of being notified of the final decision to involuntarily withdraw a student.

Readmission: A student who has withdrawn from Wabash for medical and/or health reasons—whether voluntary or involuntary—may reapply for readmission by contacting the Dean of Students' Office. [insert link to form] The conditions or requirements for readmission will be based on an individualized assessment of the student, including consideration of current medical information and/or available objective evidence, to determine whether the student is able to return to campus. Wabash may require that specific conditions be met prior to or upon readmission such as ongoing treatment, compliance with a safety plan, regular consultation with the Counseling Center or an off-campus provider, or the like.