

Schedule A: ACU Internal Benchmarks

The items on this schedule are not an exhaustive list of the academic standards or benchmarks approved by ACU's Academic Board. Academic standards and benchmarks at ACU are articulated through a range of mechanisms including the Academic Regulations, academic policy, and approved curriculum. This schedule captures data driven metrics designed to enable cyclical monitoring and improvement. This schedule is reviewed annually.

Description	Benchmark	Green	Amber	Red	Note
Course Level					
Retention	82%	≥80%	77-79%	<77%	New Normal Retention Rate
Success Rate: Commencing	90%	≥88%	85-87%	<85%	Success rate measures academic performance by comparing the equivalent full-time student load (EFTSL) of units passed to the EFTSL of units attempted.
Success Rate: Continuing	95%	≥95%	90-94%	<90%	
Progress Rate: Commencing	20%	≤24%	24-28%	>28%	% of students deemed 'At Risk' or required to 'Show Cause'.
Progress Rate: Continuing	10%	≤13%	13-16%	>16%	
Progress outcome	70%	≥70%	60-69%	<60%	% of students (headcount) subject to progress rules who successfully complete the subsequent semester.
Unit Level					
Pass Rates: 100-level	90%	≥90%	80-89%	<80%	Based on census of pre-Covid ACU actuals. Only apply to units with >9 enrols.
Pass Rates 200-level and above	92%	≥92%	85-91%	<85%	
Mark Average: 100-level	64%	60-70%	71-75% 57-59%	>75% <57%	Based on census of pre-Covid ACU actuals. Only apply to units with >9 enrols.
Mark Average: 200-level and above	69%	60-75%	76-80% 55-59%	>80% <55%	
Cross campus/mode tolerance	Equivalence	5%	6-10%	>10%	Comparison for pass rate and mark average of the same unit offered in different modes within a calendar year. Enrols >9.
SELT Items	Median	>3.8	3.5-3.8	<3.5	Per Likert scale for SELT items 1-5. Monitored by supervisor and enacted via the SELT Policy.