Preamble:

- To match current practice, students on academic notice should understand they are eligible for assistantships to help them get back on track.
- Students on warning can submit an appeal to have an assistantship, as there are benefits to the student and department to develop a plan for the student’s success.
- Departments wanted the flexibility to appoint certificate student to an assistantship, especially if this could be enroute to a masters.

The current wording in our policy is [http://catalog.montana.edu/graduate/policies-text-graduate-appointments/](http://catalog.montana.edu/graduate/policies-text-graduate-appointments/)

“Note: All students must be in good academic standing to be eligible for an appointment. Non-degree graduate students are ineligible for graduate assistantships or graduate tuition waivers.”

Proposed change

“Note: All graduate certificate, masters, and doctoral students in good academic standing are eligible for a graduate assistantship and tuition waivers if they have not reached a department or university limit. Students on academic notice still qualify as being in good academic standing. Non-degree students are not eligible for graduate assistantships and tuition waivers. Degree-seeking graduate students on academic warning may submit an appeal to the Graduate School to request an assistantship.”