

Academic Standard: (A3.15a, A3.15d)

Any student who fails to meet the minimum performance standards will be recommended for an academic action in the form of an **academic warning, probation, or dismissal**. Academic warnings and probation are internal program standings. However, all dismissals will be reported immediately to the Dean of Students and Dean of Health Science. The affected student is notified in writing and must satisfy specified requirements. The Student Progress Committee (SPC) will review departmental recommendations at the end of each semester.

MDC shall provide prompt written notification to NSU's M.H.Sc. Program Director if a student in the MDC BAS PA Program, who is concurrently taking courses in the M.H.Sc. Program, is not performing at the academic standards expected by the MDC BAS PA Program. Students not performing satisfactorily at NSU will also be referred to out SPC

Academic Warning

A student in the Physician Assistant Program will receive an academic warning letter if s/he:

- Earns a term GPA between 2.70-2.99
- Any student placed on a professional behavioral contract.

Academic Probation

A student in the Physician Assistant Program will be placed on probation if s/he:

- Achieves a term GPA between 2.50 - 2.69 (**).
- Earns a grade of F (*) in one course in the didactic year.
- Earns a grade of F in one Clinical Rotation
- Failure to improve a behavioral contract or a third professionalism infraction.

*Students can remediate only one course in the didactic year and one rotation in the clinical year.

** Please see clinical manual for variation in this policy.

Please Note: Academic probation is an internal program assignment.

Academic Dismissal

A student in the Physician Assistant Program will be dismissed if s/he (any of below):

- Achieves a term GPA of less than 2.50 in any semester.
- Qualifies for academic probation for two consecutive semesters.
- Failure to successfully remediate any course.
- Earns an F after remediation of any course in either the didactic or clinical year.
- Failure of two courses in the same semester
- Professionalism probation for 2 consecutive semesters or an egregious violation of professionalism attributes
- Failure to perform successfully in any NSU course
- Failure of 3 EOR exams

Students dismissed for academic or professional failure will be required to withdraw from all NSU courses and will not be readmitted into the program. Students may appeal the course failure per college and program policy and procedures (See section on appeals).