ACADEMIC PROBATION AND SUSPENSION POLICY

UNIVERSITY POLICY

It is the policy of the Health Science Center to inform students of their scholastic standing in keeping with the following designations: Good Standing, Scholastic Probation and Scholastic Suspension.

PERTINENT INFORMATION

The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) requires that each institution clearly define and publish its policy regarding suspension and readmission of students for academic reasons.

OPERATING REQUIREMENTS

Good Standing

I. Graduate and Professional Programs

Students in graduate and post-baccalaureate professional programs follow their academic programs’ standards for being in good academic standing. Please refer to the academic policies and standards in each school for more details.

II. Undergraduate Programs

An undergraduate student who maintains minimum 2.00 standards of progress cumulative and term grade point averages will be in good academic standing.

A. Scholastic Probation

An undergraduate student whose standards of progress cumulative or term grade point average is below 2.00 at the end of an enrollment period is placed on scholastic probation. This student may continue on scholastic probation by achieving a minimum standard of progress term grade point average of 2.00 at the end of the enrollment period. This student is removed from scholastic probation when the standards of progress cumulative and term grade point averages are 2.00 or above.

Scholastic probation is a serious warning that the quality of the student’s work must improve in order for the student to continue enrollment at the university. Students on scholastic probation are required to meet with their advisor prior to registration and may be required to enroll in special programs or courses in order to improve grade point average. After advisement, the student may be permitted to enroll while on scholastic probation.

B. Scholastic Suspension

Scholastic suspension occurs when an undergraduate student on scholastic probation fails to maintain minimum academic standards. A student on scholastic probation who fails to achieve a standard of progress term grade point average of 2.00 or higher will be suspended for one calendar year. A suspended student may appeal for a waiver of a suspension to the school dean or dean’s designee. Any student who is scholastically suspended will be permitted to reapply for admission one calendar year from the scholastic suspension term. A student who re-enters the university after having been suspended will be placed on scholastic probation status and will be subject to the minimum requirements governing scholastic probation.

Students should consult directly with their respective dean’s offices for additional information regarding scholastic and academic standing.