

## Academic Standards, Probation and Dismissal

A cumulative grade point average (GPA) of at least 3.00 for all work taken as a graduate student while registered in the UND School of Graduate Studies must be maintained in order to remain in satisfactory academic standing in the School of Graduate Studies. In addition to maintaining the required GPA, satisfactory performance also includes, but is not limited to, satisfactory research performance, a satisfactory GPA in the major, satisfactory performance in examinations, such as the comprehensive examination, or satisfactory performance in other specific program requirements.

The academic standing and progress of degree seeking Students will be reviewed by the departments and Faculty Advisory Committee periodically to ensure that appropriate progress is being made toward the degree.

The academic standing of all graduate students whose cumulative GPA falls below 3.00 will be reviewed at the end of each academic term by the Dean of the School of Graduate Studies. Students having accumulated 9 or more credit hours will be placed on academic probation for one semester; students having accumulated fewer than 9 credit hours will be placed on academic probation until either

- 1. the GPA is raised to at least 3.00 or
- 2. 9 graduate credit hours are accumulated, whichever occurs first.

If, at the end of the probationary period, the GPA is still less than 3.00, the student may be dismissed.

Students may be dismissed from the School of Graduate Studies for failure to maintain the required academic standing as described in this graduate catalog. Dismissal from the School of Graduate Studies will be noted on the transcript. The Graduate Committee will hear grievances brought by graduate students regarding dismissal decisions made by the Dean of the School of Graduate Studies. No decision on dismissal will be reached until a minimum of 9 graduate credits has been accumulated. A student who has been dismissed from the School of Graduate Studies will not be allowed to take any graduate courses or enter any graduate program at the School of Graduate Studies.