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ACADEMIC STANDING AND MINIMUM GRADE REQUIREMENTS

A cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.00 ("B"), from semester to semester, is required to maintain good academic standing as a graduate student and meet the requirements for a graduate degree.

Any student who fails to maintain a 3.00 GPA will be automatically placed in probationary status and must, within the next 12 credit hours (including miniterms), elevate their GPA to 3.00 in order to remain in the graduate program.

Grades in all courses taken as a graduate student are used in determining whether a student has met the GPA of 3.00 ("B") requirement to remain in good academic standing. Students whose GPA falls substantially below 3.0 may be suspended or dismissed (see table below), based on guidelines established by the academic program and approved by the Graduate Council. A student who believes the probation or suspension was due to an error in a grade assigned should follow the Grade Appeal Process listed in the Graduate Catalog.

Probation and Suspension Thresholds for Graduate Students who have completed at least 6 graduate semester hours at NSU.

Cumulative GPA in Graduate Courses at NSU	Good Academic Standing	Academic Probation	Academic Suspension (For 1 year)	Dismissal (For 4 years)
3.0 and above	Automatic			
2.60 - 2.99		Automatic		
2.0 - 2.59		Automatic	Possible	
Below 2.0			Automatic	Possible
Academic Probation Guide				

Students who have been suspended for a year, upon re-admission, will be advised by their Graduate Program Coordinator/Director (GPC/GPD) on how to improve their GPA. They will be required to do so within the next completed 12 credit hours. The GPC/GPD will inform the student of the courses required to be repeated to improve their GPA.

Students who have been dismissed from their program and wish to return will be required to submit an application for admission as a new graduate student. All prior grades will be suppressed.