School of Graduate Studies in the Health Sciences

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TITLE: Good Academic Standing

POLICY: The Graduate School in the Health Sciences defines a student in good academic standing as one who is making acceptable progress toward a graduate degree and who is eligible to register for and pursue academic coursework at the University of Mississippi Medical Center for the current semester. All graduate students are expected to remain in good academic standing throughout the entire course of their study.

The minimum requirements for good academic standing established by the Graduate School are as follows:

1. A PhD student must maintain a grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 or higher based on a four point grading scale, or an 80% weighted numerical average.

2. A MS student must maintain a grade point average (GPA) of 2.8 or higher based on a four point grade scaled, or a 75% weighted numerical average.

Under such a scale a grade of A is assessed 4 point, a B 3 points, a C 2 points, and an F 0 points. A grade of F is not acceptable for graduate credit, but is included in the calculation of the student’s GPA. Students who fail to meet the minimum requirements after the first year, will be placed on academic probation, and have three (3) continuous semesters to raise their GPA or weighted numerical average to an acceptable level. Failure to do so will result in administrative withdrawal from the academic degree program.

Individual programs may have specific academic requirements in addition to those stated here. Academic requirements other than those imposed by the School of Graduate Studies are determined by the approval of the Dean.

SCOPE: All SGSHS students.