

# PROFESSIONAL GRADUATE STUDENT CLASSIFICATIONS

## UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA MEDICAL CENTER COLLEGE OF NURSING

<b>Professional Graduate Student Classifications</b>	Subsection: 5.3.2
Section 5.0 - Student Policies	Originating Date: May 1982
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5.3.3 Admission Policies for Master's Degree	Revised: May 2016 Revised: February 2017
5.3.4 Admission Policies for Doctor of Nursing Practice Degree Programs	Revised: November 2023
5.3.11 Evaluation of Professional Graduate Student Progression to Graduation	

from provisional to full status requires successful completion of deficiencies assigned by the Professional Graduate Nursing Affairs Committee as a condition of provisional status.

### 3. Non-Degree Admission Status

Non-Degree Status is given to individuals who have met the minimum requirements for admission (completed Non-Degree application and provided official transcripts). These students would need permission from the course coordinator to enroll in any College of Nursing course. Transitioning from non-degree to full status requires a completed application for full admission after meeting the criteria outlined in Policy 5.3.3. Admission policies for Master's Degree or 5.3.4 Admission Policies for Doctor of Nursing Practice Degree Programs and acceptance into a nursing program of study.

### 4. Probationary Status

Probationary Status may be given after admission when a student has a GPA below 3.0 and requires successful completion of designated course work to continue in their program of study (Refer to policy 5.3.11 Evaluation of Professional Graduate Student Progression to Graduation). Transitioning from probationary to full status requires completing coursework assigned by the PGNA committee as a condition of probationary status.

#### Purpose

Establishes classifications for admission and progression of professional graduate nursing students.

#### Scope

This policy applies to professional graduate students.

#### Policy

Professional Graduate nursing students, those admitted to the master's (MSN), post-graduate certificate (PGC), or doctoral (DNP) programs in nursing, are classified for admission and progression as follows:

#### 1. Full Admission Status

Full Admission Status is given to students who have met the admission requirements and have been accepted by the Professional Graduate Nursing Program for work leading to a MSN, PGC, or DNP degree in nursing.

#### 2. Provisional Admission Status

Provisional admission status may be given when students show potential for professional graduate work but have attained below a 3.0 GPA in undergraduate or graduate studies and/or have not yet passed the NCLEX-RN exam. In cases of low GPA, two semesters of coursework must be completed with a final grade of "B" or higher. If the student receives a final grade of "B-" or less during their provisional status, the Professional Graduate Nursing Affairs (PGNA) Committee will recommend transitioning the student to a Probationary Status or removal from the program of study based on a case-by-case review. In cases in which an applicant has not yet passed the NCLEX-RN exam, admission is provisional until the applicant produces evidence of passing the exam. To transition