

MLS HANDBOOK: ACADEMIC STANDING & PROGRESSION

SA 10.0: Academic Standing and Progression Policy

CAHP Academic Standing & Progression Policy (<https://catalog.unmc.edu/allied-health-professions/cahppolicies/academicstandingandprogression/>)

Students have the right to appeal any academic evaluation per the CAHP Appeals of Academic Evaluation Policy

The MLS Program will follow all CAHP academic standing and progression policies and procedures.

Academic Standing of CAHP Students

Within the parameters established below, programs within the College of Allied Health Professions will designate the current Academic Standing of each student. All students will be considered to have an Academic Standing of "Satisfactory" upon entry into the program, and any changes in Academic Standing will be reported to the student and to the CAHP Assistant Dean for Academic Affairs, who is responsible for securely maintaining individual and aggregate records of academic status, progression, remediation, and sanctions for all CAHP students.

1.1. Satisfactory

- 1.1.1. All students entering a CAHP program are considered to have an Academic Standing of "Satisfactory." No transcript notation will be made for this standing; absence of other notation implies satisfactory academic standing.
- 1.1.2. Program directors and advisors are encouraged to identify *at-risk* students as early as possible, provide advice on potential sources of assistance, and follow up as needed to maximize chances of students' academic success.
- 1.1.3. **MLS Program 'at-risk' criteria:**
 - During student laboratory:
 - 2 failing practicals and/or exams in program
 - at risk for not passing a course (not meeting course requirements after completing approximately 50% of the course)
 - Clinical rotation (per semester)
 - 2 program practicum-related remediation assignments; student is passing all courses
 - 3 program theory-related remediation assignments; student is passing all courses
 - >3 program, either practicum or theory remediation assignments

1.2. Formal Remediation

Formal Remediation is the first level of academic performance action, and it cannot be appealed. Notation of "Formal Remediation" does not appear on the student's transcript.

- 1.2.1. "Formal Remediation" (with or without academic probation) may be imposed in any instance in which academic work and/or professional conduct has been or is unsatisfactory as determined by the program director with input from the faculty as appropriate.
- 1.2.2. The Program Director will provide the student with a written "Notice of Formal Remediation" which includes a proposed remediation plan and a time to meet with the director to approve that plan or to discuss alternatives to that plan. The remediation plan must include a specified timeline of activities and a deadline for satisfactory completion of the plan.
- 1.2.3. Once the remediation plan is agreed upon and signed by both the student and the Program Director, the Program Director must provide a copy to the student and the CAHP Director of Enrollment Management and Student Services. By the deadline for successful completion of the remediation plan:
 - 1.2.3.1. The student must either satisfactorily complete the remediation plan, in which case the student's Academic Standing will immediately return to "Satisfactory," or
 - 1.2.3.2. The Program Director may amend the completion date for the remediation plan, or
 - 1.2.3.3. The student may be assigned a standing of "Academic Probation" or "Dismissal."
- 1.2.4. **MLS Program 'Formal Remediation' (with or without academic probation) criteria:** Student Laboratory: student not passing a course prior to any remediation
 - Clinical Rotations (per semester)
 - >2 program, practicum-related remediation assignments
 - >3 program, theory-related remediation assignments
 - Student does not meet '*at risk*' remediation target dates
 - Student is temporarily pulled from a theory course to prioritize their practicum academic focus
 - Student is at risk for not passing a course (not meeting course requirements after completing approximately 50% of the course)

1.3. Academic Probation

- 1.3.1. Academic Probation is the second level of academic performance action, and it cannot be appealed. Notation of "Academic Probation" does not appear on the student's transcript.
- 1.3.2. "Academic Probation" may be recommended in any instance in which academic work and/or professional conduct is unsatisfactory, as determined by the Program Director.
- 1.3.3. **MLS Program 'Academic Probation' criteria:** see policy SA 11.0 (<https://catalog.unmc.edu/allied-health-professions/medical-laboratory-science-program/mls-handbook-probation/>).

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