Community Health and Health Behavior Academic Progress Policy

Students must maintain at minimum an overall ‘B’ average (3.0) and achieve a grade of ‘B’ (3.0) in each required course. NOTE: ‘B-’ (2.67) is below the minimum grade for required courses.

**Academic Deficiency.** Students who achieve a B- or less grade in one required course:
- will be notified by letter that they will be placed on academic deficiency
- must retake the course within one year and achieve a B (3.0) or higher grade
- may continue to take courses, including required courses, only with permission of the instructor

**Academic Probation.** Students who achieve a B- or less grade in more than one required course, who receive a grade of ‘U’, ‘D’ or ‘F’ in any course required for completion of the degree program, whose cumulative GPA falls below 3.0, or who indicates a lack of ability as determined by the program faculty:
- will be notified by letter that they will be placed on academic probation
- must retake each course within one year and achieve a B (3.0) or higher grade
- may continue to take courses, including required courses, only with permission of the instructor

**Academic Dismissal.** Students receiving three grades lower than B- in any courses (either required or elective), including courses which have been repeated, and/or students who have two consecutive semesters with less than an overall B average (3.0) will be dismissed from the program.

NOTE: Students are allowed only one opportunity to retake a course. Students who fail to achieve a B or higher grade at the end of their deficient/probation will be dismissed from the program.

**Repeating Required Courses:**
- Students who retake a course must officially register for it. Students are allowed only one opportunity to retake a course.
- Students are responsible for the tuition for repeated courses even if they are currently receiving a tuition scholarship.
- The grade and semester from the repeated course will be reported on the **Application to Candidacy Form** and will be used to certify that a student has met the minimum B grade requirement.
- The initial grade will remain on the student’s transcript and all courses registered for (including repeated courses) will be used in calculating the student’s GPA.