SON OP 40.472: Grade Point Average Policy

PURPOSE: The purpose of the Grade Point Average policy is to define both the semester grade point average and the cumulative overall grade point average and to detail the procedure for calculating grade point averages.

REVIEW: All policies in the Graduate Program Manual shall be reviewed by the Graduate Program Associate Dean/Department Chairs by December 1 of even numbered years in collaboration with the Graduate Program Council. Final approval of the Graduate Program Manual is by the Dean.

POLICY/PROCEDURE

1.0 Policy

Students in the Graduate Program are required to maintain a 3.0 GPA with grades at “B” or above in all graduate courses. Students with a cumulative or semester GPA below 3.0 are placed on academic probation.

2.0 Procedure

1. The School of Nursing uses two grade point averages (GPAs) to determine progressions within the program.
   - The semester GPA is determined by dividing the total number of grade points acquired at TTUHSC during that semester by the total number of semester hours in which the student was registered at TTUHSC, exclusive of courses in which a grade of W is received.
   - The cumulative overall GPA is obtained by dividing the total number of grade points earned in all courses at TTUHSC by the total number of semester hours of all courses for which the student has registered at TTUHSC including hours of F and WF. Repeated registrations are counted in the total.
2. A graduate student may repeat courses for credit with the prior approval of the programmatic director and Graduate Program Councils. When a course is repeated, both grades are used in calculating the GPA and both grades appear on the transcript.
3. Graduate students must maintain a 3.0 GPA with grades of “B” or above in all graduate courses
4. Students achieving “C” or lower in a graduate course are eligible to repeat that course one time only pursuant to recommendation of course faculty.
5. Students earning an overall cumulative GPA or a semester GPA less than a 3.0 in the semester of graduation/completion are ineligible for graduation/completion.
6. Students with a cumulative or semester GPA below 3.0 are placed on academic probation.
7. Only courses taken and grades received at TTUHSC are used in calculating GPAs.