Academic Standing

Students are expected to progress through the program according to the schedule laid out in the Program Completion Plans found on our departmental website (one for students coming in with an M.A., one for students coming in with a B.A.). Successful progress constitutes “good academic standing.” Student progress will be assessed on a regular basis by the DGS in consultation with departmental faculty. Failure to maintain good academic standing may result in academic probation or dismissal from the program depending on the unmet expectations as articulated in the Plan.

Students will be allowed to carry a maximum of three incompletes into the summer of any given year. Failure to complete all outstanding coursework satisfactorily by the end of the summer quarter will result in the incomplete grades changing to “unofficial withdrawal” grades, and may result in academic probation or dismissal from the program following review by the departmental faculty to assess the student’s record.

If placed on academic probation, the student must develop a plan of action with the DGS to satisfy outstanding program requirements. This will include the required expectations to return to good academic standing and a timeline for completion of those requirements. Failure to meet the expectations in accordance with the timeline as outlined in the probationary plan, may result in dismissal from the program.