

Academic Standards

Students are responsible for following the curriculum plan for their major, co-op division, and graduation year. Students are responsible for monitoring their own progress through the curriculum by registering for the courses stipulated by their curriculum plan, knowing course prerequisites, regularly checking the degree audit system and knowing the sanctions for unsatisfactory academic progress. Any exceptions to a student's curriculum plan must be approved by their academic advisor.

College Academic Standards

Students must receive a grade of C or better in professional courses.

Professional courses:

Courses taught within the major/college as identified by unit/faculty: ATP, BHS, CAP, CES, MLS, NUR, PMD, PSC, PTH, SLA, TOX

Courses from the above-listed departments that are taken as electives are exempt from the C or better rule and the University's minimum satisfactory grade will be accepted.

Students must receive a grade of C– or better in selected professional prerequisites.

Professional prerequisites:

All courses, including sciences, essential content, and prerequisite courses, as determined by unit/faculty. Laboratory sections may be treated separately from lecture.

Athletic Training: BIO, CHM, MTH, PHY, PSC

Cardiopulmonary and Exercise Sciences: BIO, CHM, MTH, PHY, PSC

Health Science: BIO, CHM, MTH

Medical Laboratory Science: BIO, CHM, MTH, PHY

Nursing: BIO, CHM, MTH; *A grade of C or better is required for PSY U404*

Pharmacy: BIO, CHM, PHY, MTH

Pharmacy students must receive a grade of C or better in professional prerequisites beginning in the second year of the curriculum.

Physical Therapy: BIO, CES, CHM, MTH, PHY, PSY

Effective with the fall 2006 entering class, physical therapy students must receive a grade of C or better in professional prerequisites beginning in the second year of the curriculum.

Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology: BIO, MTH, PHY, PSY U101

Courses from the above-listed departments that are taken as electives are exempt from the C- or better rule and the University's minimum satisfactory grade will be accepted.

For all other courses:

The University's minimum passing grade for the course will be accepted. Please note – the University requires a minimum grade of C for ENG U111 and ENG U306.

Progression within Bouvé

- First-year students must complete at least 27 semester hours and meet all major prerequisite course requirements in order to progress to sophomore status. First-year students who earn fewer than the semester hours stipulated by the curriculum plan for their major must make up the difference prior to graduation.
- In order to progress into the subsequent year of professional courses, students must have completed all professional prerequisites with a grade of C– or better (except for pharmacy and physical therapy, which require a C in professional prerequisites beginning in the second year).
- In order to progress into the subsequent semester of professional courses, students must have completed all professional courses with a grade of C or better.
- Effective with the fall 2005 entering class, pharmacy students must receive a grade of C or better in professional prerequisites beginning in the second year, have satisfactorily completed all courses in years one and two of the curriculum, and have an overall GPA of 2.700 or better to progress from second- to third-year status.
- Effective with the fall 2006 entering class, physical therapy students must receive a grade of C or better in professional prerequisites beginning in the second year and have a 2.700 overall GPA to enter the graduate phase of the Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) program. Students must maintain a 3.000 overall GPA during the graduate phase of the DPT program in order to progress and graduate with the DPT.
- Physical therapy students entering prior to fall 2006 are required to have a 2.670 overall GPA to progress from the fourth to the fifth year of the program. Students must maintain an overall GPA of 3.000 during the sixth year of the program.
- Students who incur an incomplete grade in a prerequisite course must obtain approval from their academic advisor, upon consultation with the department faculty, prior to progression into the subsequent course(s).
- Students dismissed administratively from the English Language Center are not eligible for the Bouvé program to which they were conditionally admitted.

Academic Dismissal from Major

Please note: Students dismissed from their major who are otherwise in good standing with the university are allowed to remain at Northeastern University for up to two semesters as a provisional Bouvé student, by the end of which the student is expected to move into a new major or be accepted back into their original major, otherwise the student may be dismissed from the university.

Students in the Bouvé College of Health Sciences will be dismissed from their major effective the following academic semester for any of the reasons noted below:

- Failure to earn a grade of C or better in 3 professional courses, regardless of remediation.
 - Lecture and clinical/lab components for the same class are considered as **one** professional course failure

- Failure to earn the minimum required grade in the same course twice.
- Effective with the Fall 2008 entering class for Nursing students, failure to earn a grade of C or better in two professional/clinical courses, regardless of remediation.
- Effective with Fall 2005 entering class, Pharmacy students with an overall GPA <2.7 at the completion of the second year.

Criteria for University Academic Probation

Please note: Notation of Academic Probation will appear on internal record, but not on permanent transcript.

Students in the Bouvé College of Health Sciences will be placed on academic probation effective the following academic semester for any of the reasons noted below:

First-year Students:

- Not earning at least 12 semester hours in the second semester of the first year.
- Not maintaining an overall cumulative GPA of at least 1.8 at the end of the two semesters of the first-year curriculum.

Upper-class and Transfer Students:

- Not earning at least 12 semester hours in the semester just completed.
- Not maintaining an overall cumulative GPA of at least 2.0 at the end of each academic semester..

Academic Dismissal from University

Students who remain on probation after two academic semesters may be dismissed from the University. Notation of this academic dismissal action will appear on the permanent transcript. Students who have been academically dismissed from the university are automatically dismissed from their major.

Academic Appeals

Students who believe that they were erroneously, capriciously, or otherwise unfairly treated in an academic or cooperative education decision may petition to appeal the decision. Refer to the Bouvé Undergraduate Student Manual which details the Bouvé College of Health Sciences Appeals Process, and the Northeastern University Student Handbook which details the University Undergraduate Student Academic Appeals Procedures.

Program Policies & Standards

Students are expected to adhere to the policies and standards of their program major as stated in this Manual to progress through their curriculum as planned. Students seeking any exceptions to the Program Policies and Standards specified for their program major will be brought before the Academic Standing Committee of that program to present their petition.