Academic Standing Policy

The Academic Standing policy is intended to support students' academic progress and maintain academic excellence. All graduate students are expected to meet and maintain high academic standards set by the university and to demonstrate academic progress towards earning a degree. The College of Graduate and Continuing Education (CGCE) is authorized to award a Master's degree for a program of study that includes an overall cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 (B) or higher. No grade less than a B- may count towards degree completion. Students may not earn a B- in more than three courses.

*Students enrolled in the MS in Physician Assistant Studies program are held to the Physician Assistant Deceleration Policy in lieu of this academic standing policy. Students in the PA Program should consult the PA Student Manual for policies regarding Academic Standing.

Deficient Grades and Course Repeat

A final grade of "B-" or lower is considered a deficient grade. No grade lower than a "B-" will count towards degree completion. Students may not earn a final grade of "B-" in more than three courses.

Students may repeat one course one time during their graduate program in order to maintain good academic standing (cumulative GPA of 3.0) with the exception of students enrolled in the traditional Master of Social Work and foundation Master of Science in Accounting track, who are allowed to repeat two courses one time each with permission of the respective Graduate Program Chair and the Dean of CGCE. Students are required to repeat courses in which they have received a deficient grade as soon as possible within their course of study.

Students must submit a Graduate Course Repeat form for a repeated course prior to the time of course registration. The final grade for a repeated course must be a "B" or higher. All grades will remain on the student's transcript; however, when a course is repeated the original grade will not be used in computing the overall cumulative GPA average.

Students enrolled in the MS in Physician Assistant Studies program are held to the Physician Assistant Deceleration Policy in lieu of this deficient grades and course repeat procedure. Students in the PA Program should consult the PA Student Manual for information about deficient grades and course repeat procedures.

I acknowledge that by signing and returning this form to the Division of Graduate and Continuing Education Office that I have read and understand the Course Repeat Policy as stated above.

STUDENT'S SIGNATURE:__________________________________________

Approved by Dean of Graduate & Continuing Education:________________________