

ACADEMIC STANDING

Each academic program maintains specific policies related to academic standing, promotion and dismissal. The academic standing policies for each degree program are explained in the respective program's academic policy handbook.

At the end of each term, student scholastic achievement is first reviewed by each academic program's evaluation committee, which is a standing committee that may consist of program faculty, staff, and Student Affairs administrators. Each program's evaluation committee makes academic standing recommendations to the senior academic officer as listed below.

The committees may consider prior academic deficiencies/failures when making recommendations on the academic status of any student. The recommendations are based upon the specific academic promotion policies of their academic program. Academic standing recommendations are made to the following senior program administrators:

Philadelphia Campus:

Osteopathic Medical Program: Dean & Chief Academic Officer for Osteopathic Medicine
 Psychology Programs: Dean for Psychology Programs
 Health Sciences: Dean for Health Science Programs

PCOM Georgia Campus:

Osteopathic Medical Program: Dean & Chief Academic Officer for Osteopathic Medical Program
 Health Science Programs: Dean for Health Science Programs
 School of Pharmacy: Dean and Chief Academic Officer School of Pharmacy

PCOM South Georgia Campus:

Osteopathic Medical Program: Senior Associate Dean & Chief Academic Officer for Osteopathic Medical Program
 Health Science Program: Dean for Health Science Programs

The appropriate senior academic officer, in consultation with the Provost, will determine if the recommendation will be accepted, modified, or remanded. The student will receive written notice of the action.

The full Academic Standing Policy (7.005) can be found on MyPCOM, Resources section.

Good Standing- Status of a student who has met course requirements in a satisfactory manner and has demonstrated professional behavior.

Warning- A departmental written warning may be issued to any student who has incurred an exam, course, clerkship or preceptorship failure(s) subject to a validation or remediation. Issuance of a letter of academic warning is intended to alert the student that academic deficiencies have been recorded and must be remediated to meet promotion requirements. The student retains good academic standing.

Probation- Status of a student who has demonstrated a marginal level of performance to the degree that any additional course deficiencies will make the student liable for dismissal according to College policy. The duration and conditions of probation will be specified by the respective Senior Academic Officer.

Dismissal- By action of the Student Academic Officer, students may be dismissed from PCOM for academic deficiency in accordance with

criteria set forth in their program's student handbook. Written notice of the dismissal action will be sent to the student, which will include information about eligibility to appeal the dismissal. **Please note that an academic dismissal takes priority over a student's request to withdraw or take a leave of absence.**

Dismissal for reasons other than academic deficiency is governed by policies and procedures for non-academic dismissals set forth in the General Student Handbook and individual program student handbooks. Examples include but are not limited to violation of the College's Standards of Conduct, violations of local, state or federal law, unprofessional behavior, and criminal activity, or other reasons as set forth in the College Standards of Conduct and Ethics Code, which appear in the General Student Handbook.