

ACADEMIC GOOD STANDING AND ACADEMIC WITHDRAWAL

The minimum standard for satisfactory work for the Graduate Faculties for PhD students is a B average in each academic year, but the graduate group may set additional requirements that determine advancement; these requirements may require a PhD student to withdraw despite a satisfactory grade average, if the quality of the PhD student's work is not at a level that predicts successful degree completion.

PhD students whose grades are not meeting minimum requirements or who are not satisfactorily meeting other graduate group requirements will receive a communication at the end of the academic term or year regarding their academic probation, along with an outline for what actions need to be taken in order to return to academic good standing, and a timeline for doing so. PhD students receiving such a communication are responsible for working with their advisor and/or graduate group chair to improve academic performance. PhD students who do not return to academic good standing within the time frame outlined may be withdrawn by the graduate group.

School specific policies:

- Annenberg School for Communication (<https://www.asc.upenn.edu/policies-resources/graduate-student-handbooks/>)
- School of Arts and Sciences
- School of Design (<https://www.design.upenn.edu/grading-policies/>)
- Graduate School of Education (<https://onepenn.gse.upenn.edu/student-services/policies/grading-policies/>)
- School of Engineering and Applied Science (<http://www.seas.upenn.edu/graduate/handbook/g-academic-requirements.php>)
- Perelman School of Medicine (Biomedical Graduate Studies) (<https://www.med.upenn.edu/bgs/academic-information.html>)
- School of Nursing (<http://www.nursing.upenn.edu/student-services/resources/handbooks-forms-policies/phd-handbook/academic-regulations/>)
- School of Social Policy & Practice (<https://www.sp2.upenn.edu/resources/phd-student-handbook/academics/#GradesandAcademicSta>)
- The Wharton School (<https://doctoral-inside.wharton.upenn.edu/policies-procedures/>)