

The academic achievement policy for the Program in Neuroscience ensures that students with academic difficulty participate in the UMMC Academic Achievement Program. Any student during the first (G1) or second (G2) year of graduate school, who maintains a grade of less than 75.0 in any single course, or who maintains a weighted average grade of less than 80.0 for all courses, will be referred to the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs. If so recommended by the Dean, the student must without exception participate in this program.

Once enrolled in the Academic Achievement Program, a student must fulfill the following requirements.

- Meet with the appropriate course director(s) and/or course faculty to obtain an assessment of performance and guidelines for improvement.
- Meet with the Director of Academic Counseling to discuss appropriate academic assistance that is available to students, both directly and on a referral basis.
- Meet with the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs or appropriate designee at assigned times to give an update of progress towards fulfilling any guidelines or requirements for improvement and academic assistance activities.

If these requirements are met during participation in the Academic Achievement Program and if the student exceeds the academic threshold that triggered enrollment, the student may petition to the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs for release from continuation in the program.

Failure to actively participate in the Academic Achievement Program will be communicated to the Program in Neuroscience Steering Committee and will be considered in decisions regarding promotion. In addition, it will be considered in decisions regarding renewal of the student's graduate stipend.