Criteria for Satisfactory Progress
For Post-Master’s Students

Minimum Grade Requirements
1. Grades below C in required courses (or within any required program specialty sequence) must be repeated with a grade of C or better.
2. A grade of B or better is required in section(s) of N601 in order to progress into N613 or N606.
3. A grade of S is required for all semesters of N606 Advanced Practicum for the Clinical Nurse Specialist. An unsuccessful semester of N606 may be repeated only one time.
4. A grade of B or better is required in N613, N614, N615, N616; an unsuccessful semester may be repeated only one time.
5. An unsatisfactory grade in N719 (U) or N798 (U or below B) will place the student on departmental probation.

Grade Point Average Requirements
1. The student must maintain an overall grade point average of at least 3.0 (4.0 scale). This average must specifically be maintained in all nursing courses.
2. Nursing courses below 500 are not acceptable to meet program requirements.
3. Courses outside the School of Nursing must meet the Graduate School requirement of at least the 300 level.
4. Independent clinical/role credits (N606, N719, N747) and independent research credits (N799, N798) are not used in calculating the GPA.
5. If the required GPA is not maintained, the student will be placed on departmental probation.
6. If the GPA is less than 2.0, the student will be dropped from the program.

Requirements for Incompletes
1. A grade of incomplete (I) must be removed by the end of the next semester of residence. (The summer session is not considered.)
2. If the incomplete is not removed, the student will be placed on departmental probation.

Departmental Probation
1. Failure to meet the specified criteria above will constitute unsatisfactory progress in the program. The student will be placed on probation for the following semester of residence.
2. At the end of the equivalent of a full time semester (8 credits), the student on probation not meeting satisfactory progress criteria will be dropped from the program.
3. Any student placed on departmental probation for a semester must maintain satisfactory progress during the remainder of the program or be dropped.

Procedures for Monitoring Satisfactory Progress
1. The Office of the Associate Dean for Academic Programs will review students' records at the end of each semester and notify the student and program advisor if the student is making unsatisfactory progress or being placed on departmental probation.
2. The Graduate Programs Committee will review the record of any student who has not made satisfactory progress prior to the student being dropped from the program.