Graduate Medical Sciences Oral Health Sciences



2022 OHS ACADEMIC POLICY

All students are expected to familiarize themselves with the general <u>Policies of Graduate Medical</u> <u>Sciences and Boston University</u> as well as the program-specific requirements set forth in this document. You should have already read and signed the <u>GMS Academic Conduct Code & Disciplinary Procedures</u>.

Grades

- To receive credit towards graduation requirements, students must receive grades of B- or higher in all required and elective courses.
- To successfully complete the OHS program, students must receive a grade of C or higher in all required courses (OH 730, OH 731, OH 750 OH 751, MS 640), even though credit will not be given for grades lower than B-.
- When course requirements have not been met during the semester of registration due to extenuating circumstances, a grade of Incomplete (I) may be assigned at the discretion of the Course Director. Please note that a grade of I can only be given if the student is doing passing work in the course (grade of B- or higher). Students should complete the course as soon as possible or within one calendar year.

Academic Probation

• If a student receives grades of C+ or lower in 6 or more credits in a given semester, the student will be notified and placed on Academic Probation. Students on Academic Probation must meet with the Program Director to develop a plan for academic improvement. Note: Students with a GPA below the required 2.7 SAP (Satisfactory Academic Progress) will lose any academic scholarships and their financial aid options may be limited.

Course Remediation

- For fall courses (that allow remediation), students may choose to remediate in early January or at the end of the spring semester.
 - A student earning a grade of C/C+ in a fall course will have the option to remediate one
 exam in early January if improving their grade can result in a passing course grade of B-.
 - If opting to remediate in January, the student must remediate the lowest scored exam in the course.
- If a student has earned more than one grade of C+ or lower, the student may choose which course to remediate however, only one exam may be remediated in January. For remaining fall and spring coursework, options to remediate are dictated by the OHS Promotions Committee at the end of the spring semester.
- Based on students' performance throughout the OHS Program, the OHS Promotions Committee will determine whether a student is eligible for remediation of a single exam in a course or a cumulative exam of the entire course.

- If remediation is recommended, the student will contact the OHS Director and the Course Director of the relevant course(s) for information on the format and content of the exam, and criteria for a passing grade. Remediation should be completed by the end of August of that same academic year.
- Students who remediate any course are not eligible to receive a grade higher than a B- in that course.
- No more than two courses may be remediated in an academic year.
 - Note: Physiology, even though two courses (OH 730 & 731) is considered only one course for remediation purposes.
- Students may not remediate a course (single exam or cumulative exam) more than once.

Program Completion

• Students must enroll in additional coursework to reach the 32 credits required for program completion for courses where remediation is not offered or where students failed to earn a passing grade of B- on remediation.

Academic Professionalism

- Students are expected to maintain high standards of academic honesty, integrity and personal
 conduct in accordance with Boston University's <u>Student Rights & Responsibilities</u>. It is the
 responsibility of every OHS student to conduct themselves professionally and responsibly.
 Students who are found to be in violation of these standards will be held responsible according to
 Boston University's guidelines.
 - Student's basic responsibilities include, but are not limited to, respecting the rights of others, respecting the property of others and the University, and refraining from actions that endanger the health, safety, or welfare of any member of the University community or its guests.
- Failure to fulfill any of these responsibilities is a basis for disciplinary action under the Code and Academic Regulations of the Boston University.

I acknowledge receipt of these polic	ies.	
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BU ID Number	 Date	Signature