

Addendum to 'Academic Policies Document'

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Policies for Year 4 Pharm D program

Failed course

If a student fails an EL course, commonly referred to as a rotation, (Phar 491, Phar 492, Phar 493 or Phar 494), the matter will go to the Academic Affairs Committee for review. AAC will determine what, if any, remediation is required prior to attempting the course again (same rotation) or other EL courses. A student who is not successful on a rotation may be required to complete supplemental activities and/or additional rotation time, or repeat a rotation, as determined by the AAC.

Repeat rotations are subject to availability of appropriate preceptors and sites. This may result in a delay in program progression, convocation or delay in completing PEBC examinations. (The College is not responsible for any deposit paid for the examination.)

The fee to complete an 8 week supplemental rotation is TBD

A student will have only two attempts at the same rotation and then will be required to discontinue. A student who fails three rotations (any of Phar 491, 492, 493 and 494) will be required to discontinue.

If a student fails a rotation they may be permitted to continue in subsequently scheduled rotations, provided the reason for failure was not due to one of the following reasons:

1. The preceptor identifies that the student is putting the patient, the preceptor and/or the site, at risk of harm.
2. A major or critical incident has been identified (Refer to College of Pharmacy and Nutrition Procedures for concerns with Pharmacy and Nutrition Student Professional Behaviour) or the student breaches the Regulations on Student Academic Misconduct or Standard of Student Conduct in Non-Academic Matters. As students are licensed by the Saskatchewan College of Pharmacy Professionals (SCPP), SCPP will be notified when the behaviour (e.g. breach of patient confidentiality, theft of narcotics) would be subject to disciplinary and/or legal action if engaged in by a licensed pharmacist.

The student must develop a learning plan to address the area(s) of deficiency identified in the failed rotation before proceeding to or in the first week of the subsequently scheduled rotation.

If a student fails two rotations in a row they will be suspended from the program until review by AAC.

In the case where a student has started the second rotation, if after review of the first failure by AAC the Committee believes that remediation would benefit the student prior to completion of the second rotation, the student may be removed from the rotation without academic penalty.

Removal from rotation

A student should generally remain in a rotation until completion unless a serious concern is identified. Serious concerns may include but are not limited to the following situations:

1. The preceptor identifies that the student is putting the patient, the preceptor and/or the site, at risk of harm.
2. The Preceptor identifies concerns during the rotation that the student may be compromising patient care, e.g. if a student's ability to provide, or assume responsibility, for their patients' care is deemed well below expectations.
3. A major or critical incident has been identified (Refer to College of Pharmacy and Nutrition Procedures for concerns with Pharmacy and Nutrition Student Professional Behaviour) or the student breaches the Regulations on Student Academic Misconduct or Standard of Student Conduct in Non-Academic Matters. As students are licensed by the Saskatchewan College of Pharmacy Professionals (SCPP), SCPP will be notified when the behaviour (e.g. breach of patient confidentiality, theft of narcotics) would be subject to disciplinary and/or legal action if engaged in by a licensed pharmacist.
4. Extraordinary demands are being placed on the preceptor

Notification must be provided to the Experiential Learning Office before any action is taken.

Withdrawal from rotation

A student may request a withdrawal from the rotation without academic penalty for health or personal reasons. The request must be submitted in writing, with appropriate documentation, to the EL Associate Director or the Associate Dean Academic. Appropriate documentation will be required prior to the student resuming rotations.

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