

4.8 Academic Performance and Dismissal

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Nursing students will conduct themselves in a professional manner, not only in interaction with patients, but also with peers, faculty and staff of The University of Texas at Tyler, and the community in general. In addition to conventional academic tests and measurement criteria for assessment, nursing students will be evaluated on issues relating to their professional conduct/judgment according to the standards of the SON program and the nursing profession. No show/no call for proctored exams, simulation labs, and or clinical placements may result in disciplinary actions.

To pass a clinical course, the student must pass both the theory and the clinical component of that course. Unsafe and unsatisfactory clinical performance is defined in each course syllabus. A student may be dismissed from the program if clinical performance is deemed incompetent and/or is a threat to patient safety and well-being. Each course in the nursing program has a required syllabus that contains pertinent information for that course. All clinical documents shall be submitted as outlined by the clinical course requirements. Failure to submit the required documents may result in a clinical failure.

Students participating in an extern program in which clinical credit is awarded must receive approval from their instructor prior to attending a clinical placement before hours can be counted as clinical credit. If approval is not received, then hours may not count. If a nurse extern is disciplined for unsafe or unprofessional behavior by the clinical facility, a corresponding clinical failure may result.