Important Institutional Policies

No information stated here supersedes policies published on the UT website.

ACADEMIC DISHONESTY

At a minimum, you should complete assignments, exams, and other scholastic endeavors with the utmost honesty, which requires you to:

- acknowledge the contributions of other sources to your scholastic efforts;
- complete your assignments independently unless expressly authorized to seek or obtain assistance in preparing them;
- follow instructions for assignments and exams, observe the standards of your academic discipline; and
- avoid engaging in any form of academic dishonesty on behalf of yourself or another student.

To learn more, visit the Student Conduct and Academic Integrity website:

http://deanofstudents.utexas.edu/conduct/

ACADEMIC HONOR CODE

The core values of The University of Texas at Austin are learning, discovery, freedom, leadership, individual opportunity, and responsibility. Each member of the university is expected to uphold these values through integrity, honesty, trust, fairness, and respect toward peers and community.

ADA COMPLIANCE

The University of Texas at Austin provides upon request appropriate academic accommodations for qualified students with disabilities. For more information, contact Services for Students with Disabilities at 471-6259 (voice) or 232-2937 (video phone). http://diversity.utexas.edu/disability/accommodations-and-services/

OFFICIAL MEANS OF COMMUNICATION

Official communication with students at The University of Texas at Austin will be conducted through e-mail. Students are expected to check their e-mail on a frequent and regular basis in order to stay current with university news.

OBSERVANCE OF RELIGIOUS HOLY DAYS

Religious holy days sometimes conflict with class and examination schedules. Sections 51.911 and 51.925 of the Texas Education Code address absences by students and instructors for observance of religious holy days. A student shall be excused from attending classes or other required activities, including examinations for the observance of a religious holy day, including travel for that purpose. A student whose absence is excused under this subsection may not be penalized for that absence and shall be allowed to take an examination or complete an assignment from which the student is excused within a reasonable amount of time.

SCHOLASTIC PROBATION AND DISMISSAL

To continue in the Graduate School beyond the first semester or summer session, the student must:

- make satisfactory progress in fulfilling any admission conditions that were imposed;
- meet any requirements made in writing by the Graduate Studies Committee;
- maintain a grade point average of at least 3.00 (see Grades, Letter Grades for an explanation of the calculation of graduate student grade point averages); and have approval of the Graduate Studies Committee in the Department of Educational Administration

The Graduate Studies Committee is responsible for evaluating the students in their programs to ensure that they are making satisfactory progress toward a degree. If the Graduate Studies Committee finds that a student is not making satisfactory progress, it may recommend to the graduate dean that the student's program be terminated.

A student whose graduate grade point average falls below 3.0 at the end of any semester or summer session will be warned by the Graduate School that his or her continuance in the Graduate School is in jeopardy. During the next semester or summer session in which the student is registered, he or she must attain a grade point average of at least 3.0 or be subject to dismissal. During this period, the student may not drop any course or withdraw from the university without the approval of the graduate adviser and the graduate dean. Students who have been dismissed from the Graduate School may be readmitted for further graduate study only by petition of the Department of Educational Administration Graduate Studies Committee or by the Graduate Studies Committee of another program that will accept the student. The graduate dean must approve the petition. Warning status and academic dismissal are reflected on the student's record.

SEXUAL DISCRIMINATION AND SEXUAL HARASSMENT

Students who believe they experienced sexual harassment in the academic environment should consult the following website: http://www.policies.utexas.edu/policies/prohibition-sexual-discrimination-sexual-harassment-sexual-assault-sexual-misconduct