

Assistantships and Academic Warning Policy

Purpose

Allow graduate students with Assistantships to continue their academic-year contracts when their Fall GPA falls below 3.0. (Note that when students are dismissed for other reasons, Assistantships continue to be discontinued.)

Proposal

All text remains the same, except add the highlighted text:

Conditions of Continuation in Assistantship

Graduate assistants are required to make significant progress toward their degrees, which means they must:

- Carry nine hours of graduate course work each semester. Note: Underload approval is required if a graduate assistant is not registered for nine graduate hours each semester. Underloads for fewer than six graduate credits are not approved. Only one underload may be granted during a graduate assistant's program of study (except under extenuating circumstances).
- Maintain at least a 3.0 graduate GPA in order to retain or reapply for the assistantship. A decision to remove a student's eligibility for an assistantship based on GPA will be made following the original assistantship contract end date.
- Students may receive assistantships for a maximum of four semesters (fall and spring) or two academic years, except for Doctoral Assistants, students in the Master of Fine Arts program or students seeking the Education Specialist degree.