

OFFICIAL PROTOCOL

D-GRADES

If a student receives a D-grade in any clinical rotation, he/she will be required to repeat the rotation (see Academic Policies). The student will be able to repeat the rotation in which they received a D-grade during a vacation block. If they do not have a vacation block available, they will have to repeat the failed rotation during the summer session following their senior year. If a student has a rotation after graduation, they will not receive a completed transcript or diploma from main campus until late August. A completed transcript is required to obtain a state license. Students will want to inform their future employer that the state licensing process will be delayed by several months. This may affect the student's ability to practice through late August. The degree of impact will vary among states and advanced training programs.

All failing grades will be reported immediately to the Department Head and Associate Dean for Academic Programs.

Faculty are not required to provide written feedback to a student during a one, two, three, or four-week rotation if the student is in danger of failing or receiving a "D" grade. It would be ideal, however, for faculty to provide verbal feedback in such a circumstance as early in the rotation as possible. This verbal notification should point out deficiencies in the student's performance as well as guidance as to how to correct the deficiencies. After the faculty member verbally meets with the student, written documentation regarding the discussion should be placed in the student's file in the Clinical Sciences office.