

Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine (VTC SOM)

Policy: Satisfactory Academic Progress for Financial Aid

Subject: Satisfactory Academic Progress

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1 Purpose

To establish rules and regulations governing satisfactory academic progress of the Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine medical students. Students who receive Federal Financial Aid must, in accordance with federal regulations (CFR 668 – Student Assistance General Provisions, Sections 668.32(f), 668.16(e), and 668.34), be in good standing and maintain Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) towards their degree.

2 Policy

In accordance with federal regulations, students who receive Federal Financial Aid must be in good academic standing and maintain Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) toward their degree. Satisfactory Academic Progress is evaluated annually at the end of the spring term. As promotion standards from year to year exceed the federal student aid minimum requirements, a student is considered to meet SAP standards if they are promoted by the MSPPC. Students who fail to be promoted by the MSPPC will be ineligible for continued financial aid funding beginning the term immediately following the term in which SAP requirements were not met. If a student appeals the promotion decision by the MSPPC and the appeal is granted, the same appeal decision applies to Satisfactory Academic Progress. The student's academic plan, for SAP purposes, are the academic requirements set forth by the MSPPC. If a student applies for re-admission and the re-admission is approved, the student is considered to have re-established his or her financial aid eligibility for the next evaluation period. Although terms do not need to be consecutive, financial aid cannot be offered for terms beyond 150 percent of the normal length of the program.