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**1. Policy Statement**

All matriculated students in the Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) or Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) programs are required to pass the established Program Benchmarks as indicated in the respective Program Guidelines or other official program documents outlining the procedures for these benchmarks. Refer to the SON Handbook regarding the SON Policy 20-04.13 Admission, Progression, Suspension, Probation, and Dismissal Standards.

**2. Implementing Procedures**

<b>Responsible Party</b>	<b>Action</b>
Appropriate faculty governance committee	Annually review and update <i>Program Guidelines</i>
Appropriate Senior Associate Dean	Reviews and approved Program Guidelines before distribution to students
Program Director	Ensures current year Program Guidelines are easily accessible and provided to matriculated students.

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**Implementation Date:** April 18, 2012**Revision History:** 5/22/2022**Related Policies and Procedures:** Admission, Progression, Probation & Dismissal Standards (SON 20-04.13)**Responsible Office:** Academic Affairs**Supersedes:** ■ Doctor of Nursing Practice Progression Benchmarks (20-04.10). Retired 4/18/2012 ■ Doctor of Philosophy Progression Benchmarks (20-04.11). Retired 4/18/2012**Key Words:**