Maintenance of Academic Standards Policy (Bioethics)

I. Purpose

This Policy defines standards for academic progress and actions for maintaining them in the Bioethics programs at Albert Einstein College of Medicine (“Einstein”).

II. Scope

This Policy applies to all students enrolled in any of the Bioethics programs: Master’s in Bioethics (MBE), Certificate, or stand-alone course enrollment.

III. Policy

III.A. Academic Probation

A student who, during a semester, fails a course or receives an excessive number of Incompletes is placed on academic probation for the following semester. If in any subsequent semester another course is failed, or the student receives an Incomplete, the student may be dropped from the program at the discretion of the program faculty.

Note: No course in which a grade of F, G, W, or I is in standing can be credited to the Certificate or Master’s degree.

III.B. Performance Review

If a student is placed on probation, a faculty committee appointed by the Program Director will review performance with the student and determine whether withdrawal is required. The committee will develop a remediation plan for a student permitted to continue their program of study.

III.C. Academic Discipline

A student’s admission, continued enrollment, receipt of academic credits, graduation, and the conferring of any degree, diploma, or certificate on the student are entirely subject to the disciplinary powers of the program and dependent upon the student maintaining high standards of ethical and scholarly conduct. The program is free to dismiss the student at any time for infringement of these standards.
III.D. Academic Counseling and Support

Academic Counseling and Support is available through Einstein’s Office of Academic Support and Counseling. It should be noted by students that the Center's faculty and staff are both very supportive and approachable, and that asking for support early — or late — is much preferable to infringements of Einstein's standards of academic integrity.

IV. Definitions

None.

V. Effective Date

Effective as of: 1 August 2018

VI. Policy Management and Responsibilities

The Einstein Cardozo Master of Science in Bioethics Program Office is the Responsible Office under this Policy. Einstein’s Executive Dean is the Responsible Executive for this Policy. Einstein’s Director of the Einstein Cardozo Master of Science in Bioethics Program is the Responsible Officer for the management of this Policy.

VII. Approved (or Revised)

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Responsible Executive

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