NYU SoM Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy

In order to be eligible for any institutional or federal financial aid, a student must be making satisfactory academic progress (SAP). SAP will be checked at the end of each spring term. In order to be making SAP, a student must meet the following criteria:

Year 1: The student must earn credit in 50% of the modules that he or she attempts. The student may not earn more than 5 failing, withdrawal, or incomplete grades during their first year.

Year 2: The student must earn credit in 50% of the modules and clerkships that he or she attempts. The student may not earn more than 4 failing, withdrawal, or incomplete grades during their second year.

Year 3: The student must earn credit in 85% of the clinical rotations that he or she attempts. The student may not earn more than 3 failing, withdrawal, or incomplete grades during their third year.

Year 4: The student must earn credit in 85% of the clinical rotations that he or she attempts. The student may not earn more than 2 failing, withdrawal, or incomplete grades during their fourth year.

A student must complete all degree requirements within six years.

Federal regulations state that students who repeat coursework which they have previously passed will not be eligible for financial aid during the semester that they are repeating.

A withdrawal occurs when a student attends 50% or more of a module or clinical rotation, but stops attending before the module or clinical rotation is complete.

If a student does not meet the above criteria, they will not be eligible for financial aid for the following fall semester. The student does have the right to appeal this decision. The student can submit a letter to the Office of Financial Aid, explaining what caused he or she to not make SAP and what has changed that will allow he or she to make SAP moving forward. A committee made up of members from the Offices of Financial Aid, Student Affairs, and Medical Education will review the letter of appeal. Students will be informed of a decision within 10 business days.