The programs in Bouvé College of Health Sciences combine experiential and cooperative education opportunities with highly innovative academic curricula that are designed to meet the demand for well-educated allied health professionals, nurses, and pharmacists. The college seeks to prepare students to become effective professional practitioners, enter graduate schools, and work in many areas responsible for the delivery of health care.

There are three schools within the Bouvé College of Health Sciences: the School of Nursing, the School of Pharmacy, and the School of Health Professions, which comprises the following majors: athletic training, cardiopulmonary and exercise sciences, health science, medical laboratory science, physical therapy, and speech-language pathology and audiology. The college offers students a health-care education that features a curriculum of highly relevant and closely integrated basic courses in the physical, biological, behavioral, and administrative sciences; on-site involvement in clinical patient care, including introductory and advanced pharmacy practice experiences and clinical experiences in nursing, physical therapy, and other health professions; experiential education opportunities; a cooperative education work program; and a commitment to the search for and advancement of new and progressive concepts, ideas, and philosophies of education and professional practice.

Each of the programs offered by the college is accredited by the appropriate professional group. The college is a member of the Association of Schools of Allied Health Professions, the American Association of Colleges of Nursing, and the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy.

**Academic Requirements**

Students are responsible for following the curriculum plan for their major, pattern of attendance, and graduation year. Students are responsible for monitoring their own progress through the curriculum by registering for the courses stipulated by their curriculum plan, knowing course prerequisites, regularly checking the degree audit system, and knowing the sanctions for unsatisfactory academic progress. Any exceptions to a student’s curriculum plan must be approved by their academic advisor.

**COLLEGE ACADEMIC STANDARDS—PROFESSIONAL COURSES**

Students must receive a grade of C or better in professional courses.

Professional courses are required courses taught within the major/college as identified by course subject code: ATHT, CAEP, EXSC, HLMH, HSCI, HLTH, MLBS, NRSG, PHMD, PHSC, PHTH, PT, SLPA, TOXC.

**COLLEGE ACADEMIC STANDARDS—PROFESSIONAL PREREQUISITES**

Students must receive a grade of C– or better in selected professional prerequisites, as delineated below:

- Athletic Training: BIOL, CHEM, MATH, PHSC, PHYS
- Cardiopulmonary and Exercise Sciences: BIOL, CHEM, MATH, PHSC, PHYS
- Health Science: BIOL, CHEM, MATH
- Medical Laboratory Science: BIOL, CHEM, MATH, PHYS
- Nursing: BIOL, CHEM, MATH; A grade of C or better is required for PSYC 3404
- Pharmacy: BIOL, CHEM, MATH, PHYS

Pharmacy students must receive a grade of C or better in professional prerequisites beginning in the second year of the curriculum.
• Physical Therapy: BIOL, CHEM, EXSC, MATH, PHYS, PSYC
  Effective with the fall 2006 entering class, physical therapy
  students must receive a grade of C or better in professional
  prerequisites beginning in the second year of the curriculum.
• Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology: BIOL, MATH, PHYS, PSYC 1101

Courses in the above-listed subjects that are taken as electives are
exempt from the C– or better rule and the University’s minimum
satisfactory grade will be accepted.

COLLEGE ACADEMIC STANDARDS—ALL OTHER COURSES
The University’s minimum passing grade for the course will be
accepted. Please note: The University requires a minimum grade
of C for ENGL 1111 and ENGL 3306.

PROGRESSION WITHIN BOUVÉ
• First-year students must complete at least 27 semester hours and
  meet all major prerequisite course requirements in order to
  progress to sophomore status. First-year students who earn
  fewer than the semester hours stipulated by the curriculum plan
  for their major must make up the difference prior to graduation.
• In order to progress into the subsequent year of professional
courses, students must have completed all professional
prerequisites with a grade of C– or better (except for pharmacy
and physical therapy, which require a C in professional
prerequisites beginning in the second year).
• In order to progress into the subsequent semester of professional
courses, students must have completed all professional courses
with a grade of C or better.
• Effective with the fall 2009 entering class, pharmacy students
  must receive a grade of C or better in professional prerequisites
  beginning in the second year, have satisfactorily completed all
courses in years one and two of the curriculum, and have an
overall GPA of 2.700 or better to progress from second- to
third-year status. In addition, students must demonstrate good
verbal and written communication skills, understanding of the
pharmacy profession, and a commitment to patient care, based
on criteria set by the Doctor of Pharmacy Program.
• Physical therapy students must receive a grade of C or better in
  professional prerequisites beginning in the second year and
  have a 2.700 overall GPA at the end of summer 2 semester of
  the fourth year to progress to the fifth year of the program.
  Students must maintain an overall GPA of 3.000 during the
  sixth year of the program.
• Physical therapy students entering prior to fall 2006 are
  required to have a 2.670 overall GPA at the end of summer 2
  semester of the fourth year to progress to the fifth year of the
  program. Students must maintain an overall GPA of 3.000
during the sixth year of the program.
• Students who incur an incomplete grade in a prerequisite course
  must obtain approval from their academic advisor, upon
  consultation with the department faculty, prior to progression
  into the subsequent course(s).
• Students dismissed administratively from the English Language
  Center are not eligible for the Bouvé program to which they
  were conditionally admitted.

CRITERIA FOR UNIVERSITY ACADEMIC PROBATION
Note: Notation of academic probation will appear on internal
record but not on permanent transcript.

Students in the Bouvé College of Health Sciences will be
placed on academic probation effective the following academic
semester for any of the reasons noted below:

First-year Students:
• Not earning at least 12 semester hours in the second semester of
  the first year.
• Not maintaining an overall cumulative GPA of at least 1.800 at
  the end of the two semesters of the first-year curriculum.

Upperclass and Transfer Students:
Not earning at least 12 semester hours in the semester just
completed. Not maintaining an overall cumulative GPA of at
least 2.000 at the end of each academic semester.

ACADEMIC DISMISSAL FROM MAJOR
Students in the Bouvé College of Health Sciences will be
dismissed from their major effective the following academic
semester for any of the reasons noted below:
• Failure to earn a grade of C or better in three professional
courses, regardless of remediation. Lecture and clinical/lab
components for the same class are considered as one
professional course failure.
• Effective with the fall 2008 entering class for nursing students,
  failure to earn a grade of C or better in two professional/clinical
courses, regardless of remediation.
• Effective with the fall 2009 entering class for pharmacy
  students, failure to satisfy academic progression standards.
• Failure to earn the minimum required grade in the same course
twice.

Note: Students dismissed from their major but who are otherwise
in good standing with the University are allowed to remain at
Northeastern University for up to two semesters as a provisional
Bouvé student, by the end of which the student is expected to
move into a new major. Otherwise, the student will be dismissed
from the University.

ACADEMIC DISMISSAL FROM UNIVERSITY
Students who remain on probation after two academic semesters
may be dismissed from the University. Notation of this academic
dismissal action will appear on the permanent transcript.
ACADEMIC APPEALS
Students who believe that they were erroneously, capriciously, or otherwise unfairly treated in an academic or cooperative education decision may petition to appeal the decision. Refer to the Bouvé Undergraduate Student Manual, which details the Bouvé College of Health Sciences Appeals Process, and the Northeastern University Student Handbook, which details the University Undergraduate Student Academic Appeals Procedures.