**Probation**

1. If your overall GPA is below 2.5, you will be placed on probation. Such students will receive notification of probation in writing, a copy of which will be place in your advising folder. If at the end of that period the issue is resolved, student will return to good standing. If the issue is has not been resolved, the student will face dismissal from the program. Student may request in writing an additional semester to resolve the issue. Faculty will determine if that request is granted, based on the criteria listed below.
   1. Likelihood of achieving a 2.5 in one semester.
   2. Student’s demonstrated effort in current classes.
   3. Student’s overall performance in the program.
2. Probation may be imposed for other infractions not deemed of the level for dismissal (see Student Code of Conduct).
3. Students offered probation must sign a probation agreement which will go in their record.
4. Students should understand that artistic merit is an important attribute of any professional. Therefore, a student’s artistic promise may be taken into consideration in any decision regarding probation and dismissal.

**Dismissal**

1. A history of academic probation (two semesters or more) is grounds for dismissal. Such students may request an opportunity to prove their academic commitment to the program.
2. Infractions of the Student Code of Conduct, in addition to any penalties imposed by the University, could lead to dismissal from the Theatre program.
3. Any other disciplinary actions during the academic year may be grounds for dismissal.

**Appeal process**

1. Students will be informed in writing of dismissal within one week of their interview. Reasons justifying the appeal must be stated in this document. The faculty will then advise the student and help facilitate enrollment in another major.
2. Students may submit a written statement to Program Director and Department Head stating reasons why they should remain in the program. Once an appeal has been submitted:
   1. The faculty must meet to consider the appeal
   2. If appeal is accepted, the student may still be put on probation.
   3. If the appeal is denied, the student may appeal to the Department Head.
   4. The Department Head may ask the faculty to reconsider the appeal. Faculty shall then meet with the Department Head to discuss the appeal. Faculty will then vote on appeal, and the faculty’s decision shall be final and binding.