In order to maintain Guaranteed Professional Program Admission status, you must:

- Maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.25. This cumulative GPA will be assessed at the end of each academic year and again at the conclusion of the Fall semester prior to the anticipated entrance into the Coordinated Program.
- Not fall below a 2.7 GPA in any single semester.
- Maintain a full-time course load of 12 or more graded (A - F) credits each semester, in addition to any pass/fail or satisfactory/unsatisfactory credits.
- Meet with an advisor in the Department of Human Nutrition each year to review your academic progress.
- Take all prerequisite course work for the Coordinated Program at UIC within 2 years. (See Courses Taken While in High School, below, for exceptions to this rule.)
- Membership in the UIC Honors College is required.

In order to be admitted into the Coordinated Program through the GPPA you must:

- Have GPPA status at the time of entry.
- Meet all Coordinated Program course prerequisites and any additional admissions prerequisites* that are in place for the year of entry before beginning the program in the fall.  
  *Admission requirements may change after you enter UIC. You are responsible for consulting with your Department of Human Nutrition advisor in order to stay abreast of any changes in the requirements that may occur.
- Declare your intention to enter the Coordinated Program by submitting the appropriate supplemental materials by January 15th of the calendar year you hope to enter.
- Entry into the program is available for the fall term only.

Advanced Placement Credit and Credit for College Courses Taken While in High School

- If the university awards credit for an Advanced Placement Test or a college course taken while the student was in high school, then we will allow that course(s) to fulfill one of the Coordinated Program’s required prerequisites.
- Transfer or AP credit may be used to satisfy the following courses: psychology, sociology, English, general biology, inorganic chemistry, humanities or math prerequisites.
Transfer or AP credit may not be used to satisfy the microbiology, organic chemistry, nutrition or statistics prerequisites. These courses must be taken at UIC.

Process to appeal for reinstatement to GPPA status:

- Those students whose cumulative GPA is below 3.25 at the end of an academic year or who have a GPA below 2.7 in any semester will lose their GPPA status as per the conditions specific for maintenance of GPPA status. A GPPA student who has lost GPPA status may appeal to be reinstated based on a presentation of special circumstances.
- Any student admitted to UIC through the Department of Human Nutrition Guaranteed Professional Program Admissions, whose cumulative grade point average in an academic year falls below the required 3.25 or who has a GPA below 2.7 in a semester, may petition the faculty in writing to consider mitigating circumstances associated with the drop in GPA. If the faculty believes that the mitigating circumstances and the student's overall academic performance warrant special consideration, the student will be informed in writing that he or she may regain GPPA status, if by the end of the following semester the student is able to bring the cumulative GPA to 3.25 or greater, has a semester GPA greater than 2.7, and maintains all other conditions for continued GPPA status. Appeals will require strong documentation and evidence, and will not be considered until the end of the spring or summer (if enrolled) term.

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