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Graduate assistants who are performing satisfactorily in their studies and duties are eligible for annual reappointments. Academic and professional performance and progress are measured by the following criteria: (1) grade-point average, cumulative and over the past academic year, of at least 3.0; (2) student academic record with no incomplete grades; (3) report of the academic advisor; (4) length of time holding the assistantship; and, (5) length of time in the degree program.

Typically, the maximum number of years that a graduate student may hold an assistantship is two years while pursuing a Master's degree and four years in a Doctoral program. In the case of a student pursuing the Master's and Doctoral degree in the same major field, eligibility for funding is for not more than five years. Requests for exceptions to this policy must be made in writing by the department chair and approved by the Dean of the Graduate School.

If the department has a rotational plan for assistantships, graduate assistants may not necessarily be reappointed. It is important that the student is notified of this fact at the time of the original appointment.

(1) description of the responsibilities and expectations associated with each Graduate School funded assis