

# M.Sc. (Thesis-based) Program Expectations

It is the responsibility of supervisors to undertake to carefully and proactively assess students' performance, to have a firm set of performance expectations, and for students to be fully aware of these expectations from the outset of their program. Students that have not met these performance expectations should not assume continuation in the program is guaranteed.

Below is a suggested set of criteria for self-assessment by M.Sc. candidates:

## Months 0-3:

- □ Have I acquired sufficient background knowledge of my research area?
- □ Have I formulated a testable hypothesis?
- □ Is my research approach feasible?
- □ Have I found an Advisor?

## Months 0-12:

- Have I successfully completed Graduate Pharmacology (PCL1002Y)?
- □ Have I met with my Advisor and submitted the Advisor report?

### Months 12-14:

- □ Have I successfully completed Graduate Pharmacology (PCL1002Y)?
- □ Did I give a clear and polished presentation of my research project hypothesis, objectives and results obtained at the First-Year Seminar? Did I provide logical and coherent answers to questions from the audience?

### Month 12-end

□ Have I generated an appropriate and realistic timeline for completion of experimental aims?

- □ Have I generated a sufficient body of research to test my hypothesis?
- Did I conduct appropriate critical analysis of the research results obtained to support my conclusion?