

### **Exhibit C.3.b Evaluation, Advancement & Advisement**

Graduate students are provided advisement by their assigned full-time faculty advisor and by the specific program coordinator for their concentration at orientation and throughout the program. Students are assigned faculty advisors who teach within the student's desired specialty area. Student move through the program as a cohort and come to campus for face-to-face orientation at the beginning of the program. This affords students the opportunity to build a relationship with their faculty and advisor. During orientation students are provided with an assigned program of study. The face-to-face orientation is a mandatory requirement for admission to the MSN program, and considered essential for student success since the program is on-line and our students come from all over Georgia. Students are encourage to meet with course faculty and to contact the program coordinator for academic guidance if they are struggling in a course or if they are on academic probation. Students are able to meet either face-to-face or virtually using the university support WebEx Go to Meeting. Faculty maintain both face-to-face and virtual office hours to ensure that students have regular access for assistance.

Exhibit Examples provided are:

1. MSN Handbook
2. Face to Face Orientation Schedules
3. Student GC Transguide with Assigned Faculty Advisor Noted
4. Examples of student petitions to Graduate Committee for returning or advancing in the program.