## 3359-60-03.4 Academic reassessment and discipline.

- (A) To be eligible for academic reassessment due to leave of absence, a student shall:
  - (1) Have not attended the university of Akron for at least two calendar years. A semester or summer session in which the student received all "WD" grades cannot be counted as part of the separation period; and
  - (2) Have reenrolled and maintained a grade point average of 2.50 or higher for the first twenty-four letter-graded ("A" through "F") hours attempted at the university of Akron; and
  - (3) Have not used academic reassessment due to leave of absence before at the university of Akron; and
  - (4) Submit a written request for academic reassessment to the student's college dean's office.
- (B) To be eligible for academic reassessment due to change of major, a student shall:
  - (1) Have changed major during the first sixty credit hours attempted at the university of Akron; and
  - (2) Have maintained a grade point average of 2.50 or higher for the first twenty-four letter-graded ("A" through "F") hours attempted subsequent to the student's change of major; and
  - (3) Have not used academic reassessment due to change of major before at the university of Akron; and
  - (4) Submit a written request to the student's college dean's office.
- (C) To be eligible for academic reassessment due to discontinuation of courses, a student shall:
  - (1) Be currently enrolled at the university of Akron beyond the deadline to drop courses; and
  - (2) Have completed courses at the university of Akron which are no longer offered and have not been offered in the preceding five calendar years, and for which there are no related courses applicable to the repeat for change of grade policy; and

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(3) Have not used academic reassessment due to discontinuation of courses before at the university of Akron; and

- (4) Submit a written request to the student's college dean's office.
- (D) To apply for academic reassessment, the student shall complete the appropriate form in consultation with his/her academic adviser.
- (E) The office of the university registrar shall confirm eligibility and make the adjustments to the student's academic record.
  - (1) The student begins with a new cumulative grade point average and adjusted credit hour totals.
    - (a) Credit hours are defined as semester hours.
    - (b) Only grades with a "C-" or lower may be reassessed.
    - (c) The student, in consultation with his/her academic adviser, shall identify the courses to be reassessed.
    - (d) For reassessment due to leave of absence, grades to be reassessed shall come from the time period prior to the student's reenrollment following the two-year absence.
    - (e) For reassessment due to change of major, grades to be reassessed shall come from the time period prior to the student's change of major.
  - (2) Grades earned for the courses that are reassessed at the university of Akron are excluded from the calculation of the cumulative "GPA," but will remain on the student's official transcript.
  - (3) Credit hours earned for courses at the university of Akron during the previous enrollment with a grade of "C" or better, including "CR," are retained.
  - (4) For reassessment due to leave of absence, credit hours from all reassessed courses taken during the previous enrollment at the university of Akron with a grade of "C-" or lower are removed from the calculation of the cumulative "GPA" (although the grades are retained on the academic transcript with the notation "academic reassessment policy").

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(5) For reassessment due to change of major, up to three courses may be reassessed. Credit hours from all reassessed courses taken prior to the change of major at the university of Akron with a grade of "C-" or lower are removed from the calculation of the cumulative "GPA" (although the grades are retained on the academic transcript with the notation "academic reassessment policy").

- (6) For reassessment due to discontinuation of courses, credit hours from all reassessed courses with a grade of "C-" or lower are removed from the calculation of the cumulative "GPA" (although the grades are retained on the academic transcript with the notation "academic reassessment policy").
- (F) The office of the university registrar will apply the following provisions of the academic reassessment policy.
  - (1) When counting the first twenty-four credits attempted, if the twenty-fourth credit is part of other credits earned during a semester, the entire number of credits earned for that semester will be calculated into the grade-point average.
  - (2) An undergraduate student may utilize each academic reassessment policy only one time in his/her career at the university of Akron.
  - (3) This policy applies to undergraduate course work taken at the university of Akron and only for undergraduate students earning a first undergraduate degree. (The graduate school has adopted its own academic reassessment policy, paragraph (E) of rule 3359-60-03.4 of the Administrative Code.)
  - (4) Any academic probations, suspensions or dismissals from reassessed semesters shall not be forgiven. They will count when the probation-dismissal policy is applied to the student's record after readmission.
  - (5) A student may seek an exception to this policy through an appeal to the senior vice president and provost and chief operating officer whose decision will be final.
- (G) Academic reassessment: graduate.
  - (1) A student who meets all the criteria described in this paragraph may petition the vice president for research and dean of the graduate school to remove from her/his graduate cumulative grade point average all those grades earned under the student's prior enrollment at the university of Akron.

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- (a) Degree-seeking graduate student,
- (b) Previous graduate enrollment at the university of Akron,
- (c) Not enrolled at the university of Akron for at least five years prior to current enrollment, and
- (d) Maintain a current graduate grade point average of at least 3.00 or better for the first fifteen hours of re-enrollment credit.
- (2) If the student's petition is granted, the following will apply to the reassessment policy:
  - (a) This policy only applies to the student's graduate grade point average.
  - (b) All university of Akron grades will remain on the student's official, permanent academic record (transcript); this process will affect the cumulative grade point average only. It will not remove evidence/documentation of the student's overall academic history at the university.
  - (c) No grades/credits from the student's prior graduate enrollment at the university may be counted toward the subsequent degree program requirements. Degree requirements may only be met by courses included in the calculation of the student's cumulative graduate grade point average at the university of Akron. Thus, the student who successfully petitions for cumulative graduate grade point average recalculation under this policy automatically forfeits the right to use any of the excluded course work toward the current degree requirements.
- (3) A student may exercise this graduate reassessment option only once, regardless of the number of times the student enters/attends a graduate degree program at the university of Akron.
- (H) Discipline. Continuation as a student of the university is dependent on the maintenance of satisfactory grades and conformity to the rules of the institution.

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