S94-4 ACADEMIC RENEWAL; REPEATING COURSES; GRADES

Legislative History:

Replaces F85-4.

At its meeting of May 2, 1994, the Academic Senate approved the following Policy Recommendation presented by Bill Campsey for the Instruction and Student Affairs Committee.

ACTION BY THE UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT:


Whereas, Current policy on Academic Renewal does not permit students in good academic standing to use the Academic Renewal process to improve their mastery of a subject in which they may have had difficulty; and

Whereas, Current policy on Academic Renewal prevents disqualified students from using the Academic Renewal process to improve their academic standing; and

Whereas, Current policy on Academic Renewal is complex; be it therefore

Resolved, That UP F85-4 be replaced as follows:

I. Repetition of Courses

Undergraduate SJSU students awarded course grades of C-, D+, D, D-, F, or U may elect to repeat those courses at SJSU for Academic Renewal;

Disqualified undergraduate SJSU students may repeat courses with grades of C-, D+, D, D-, F, or U for Academic Renewal through SJSU's Open University;

The Academic Renewal option for repeating a course is limited to one repeat per course;

The grade earned for Academic Renewal is the grade of record, but repeating a course for Academic Renewal does not remove the previous grade from the transcript, and only the most recently earned grade prior to Academic Renewal is disregarded for Academic Renewal;

The option to repeat a course for Academic Renewal is subject to space available in the course after the
close of TouchTone registration;

Registering for Academic Renewal is not permitted during TouchTone registration;

At the time of adding the course, students must check the "Academic Renewal" box on the Add/Drop form; and

The total number of units that may be repeated for Academic Renewal is limited to:

a. 18 units for students who are admitted to SJSU with 55 or fewer units, and

b. 9 units for students who are admitted to SJSU with 56 or more units of transfer credit.

II. Disregard of Previous Semesters' Work

Principle: The University may disregard up to two semesters of course work when such action will permit the student to graduate with a baccalaureate degree, without further matriculation.

In order for a student's course work to be disregarded, the student must:

a. Demonstrate that at least five years have elapsed since the semester(s) to be disregarded, and

b. Demonstrate that genuine hardship existed during the semester(s) which is (are) to be disregarded, and

c. Demonstrate by subsequent course work that the semester(s) to be disregarded was (are) aberrant, by achieving a GPA of 3.0 in 15 units, 2.5 in 30 units, or 2.0 in 45 units.

This material must be forwarded to the Academic Fairness Committee for review and recommendation to the Academic Vice President.