

CAMERON UNIVERSITY ACADEMIC FORGIVENESS POLICY

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Academic forgiveness provides a means for classifying certain courses as “reprieved” or “forgiven” to exclude them from a retention/graduation grade point average (GPA). For students receiving forgiveness, the transcript will reflect a retention/graduation GPA, excluding forgiven courses/terms, and a cumulative GPA, which includes all regularly graded course work.

DEFINITIONS

ACADEMIC TRANSCRIPT: A full and accurate reflection of the facts of a student’s academic file. All courses, including those classified as remedial/developmental, reprieved and forgiven, are recorded on the academic transcript.

OVERALL GRADE POINT AVERAGE: The ratio of total grade points earned to total grade point earning hours attempted throughout a student’s undergraduate career, excluding remedial/developmental courses. Credit hours to which an “I”, “W”, or “AW” have been assigned are not grade point earning hours.

FORGIVEN COURSE: A course in which a student made a “D” or “F” and subsequently repeated, and is approved for exclusion from retention/graduation GPA calculation.

REMEDIAL/DEVELOPMENTAL COURSE: A course to prepare students for college level work. The course cannot be used to meet degree requirements.

REPRIEVED COURSE: A course taken during a semester/term for which academic reprieve has been granted. It is not used in calculating the retention/graduation GPA.

RETENTION/GRADUATION GPA: The ratio of grade points earned to the total grade point earning hours attempted, excluding remedial/developmental courses, “forgiven” and “reprieved” courses.

REGULATIONS

ACADEMIC RENEWAL: A student may request Academic Renewal by submitting a completed Request for Academic Renewal form to the Registrar’s office, Rm. 205, North Shepler. The following guidelines apply:

1. Student must be currently enrolled.
2. At least five years must have elapsed between the last semester being renewed and the renewal request.
3. Prior to requesting Academic Renewal, the student must have earned a GPA of 2.0 or higher with no grade lower than a “C” in all regularly graded course work (a minimum of 12 hours) excluding activity or performance courses
4. The request will be for all courses completed before the date specified in the request for renewal
5. All courses remain on the student’s transcript, but are not calculated in the student’s retention/graduation GPA. Neither the content nor credit hours of renewed course work may be used to fulfill any degree or graduation requirements

ACADEMIC REPRIEVE: A student may request academic reprieve by submitting a completed Request for Academic Reprieve form to the Registrar’s office, Rm. 205, North Shepler. The following guidelines apply:

1. Student must be currently enrolled.
2. At least three years must have elapsed after the semester/term in which the grades were earned.
3. Subsequent to the semester/term for which reprieve is requested and prior to requesting the reprieve, a student must have earned a GPA of 2.0 or higher, with no grade lower than a “C” in all regularly graded course work (a minimum of 12 semester hours) excluding activity or performance courses.
4. Reprieve may be granted for no more than two consecutive semesters/terms of enrollment.
5. A student may not receive more than one academic reprieve.
6. All courses remain on the transcript, but are not calculated in the retention/graduation GPA. Course work with a passing grade included in a reprieved semester may be used to demonstrate competency in subject matter. However, the course work may not be used to fulfill credit hour requirements.

FORGIVEN COURSE: A student may have a course forgiven by submitting a completed Request for Forgiven Course form to the Registrar, Room 205, North Shepler. The following guidelines apply:

1. Student must be currently enrolled.
2. A student may repeat a limited number of courses in which a “D” or “F” was awarded and have the first grade earned forgiven (excluded) from calculation of a retention/graduation GPA. The second grade, as well as any subsequent grade, earned is used in calculating the retention/graduation GPA, even if the grade is lower than the first grade. The exclusion of forgiven courses from the retention/graduation GPA is limited to the first four (4) repeated courses, not to exceed 18 hours.
3. Students repeating courses beyond the first 18 semester hours of “D” or “F” may do so with the original and repeat grades averaged in the GPA. Repeated courses will not be counted toward hours earned for graduation.