



ROGERS STATE UNIVERSITY

Academic Forgiveness Provisions

The Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education approved a new grading policy (effective Fall-92) for state colleges and universities. The policy includes two academic forgiveness provisions. The repeated course policy and the academic reprieve policy may help a student overcome low academic standing by establishing a retention and graduation grade-point average in addition to the cumulative grade-point average. Although the academic transcript will continue to be a full and accurate reflection of the student's academic performance, the newly defined retention/graduation GPA, incorporating the academic forgiveness provisions, will be utilized in determining matters such as academic probation, academic suspension, transfer admissibility, and graduation GPA. If you believe the academic forgiveness provisions outlined below will be of benefit to you, please contact the Registrar's Office for application forms or additional information.

Repeated Course Policy

1. The policy applies to all repeated courses including those repeated prior to Fall-92.
2. Students may repeat courses and have only the second grade count (in the retention/graduation GPA) in a maximum of 18 credit hours or four courses, whichever comes first, in which the original course grade was a "D" or "F". The first such 18 credit hours or four courses repeated are the only courses in which the original course grade will not be included in computing the retention/graduation GPA. If such a course is repeated more than once, all grades with the exception of the original course grade will count in computing the GPA.
3. Students may repeat courses above the 18 credit hours or four courses of "D's" or F's" and they may also repeat courses with grades of "C" or better; however, in each of these instances **all** grades will be included when calculating the retention/graduation GPA.
4. In cases where students believe courses to be identical, although the course number or title may differ, it will be necessary to obtain validation of course equivalency from the appropriate academic department.
5. This policy applies to undergraduate work.

Academic Reprieve Policy

1. A semester's work completed at any accredited college or university may be considered for academic reprieve.
2. Student must be currently enrolled as an undergraduate at Rogers State University.
3. An academic reprieve may be granted for a maximum of two consecutive terms of **enrollment**.
4. At least three years must have elapsed between the time the period in which the grades being requested reprieved were earned and the reprieve request.
5. Prior to requesting the academic reprieve and subsequent to the semester for which the reprieve is being requested, the student may have earned no grade lower than a "C" and

- must have completed a minimum of twelve semester hours of regularly graded course work (excluding activity and performance courses) at the granting institution.
6. All courses remain on the student's transcript, but are not calculated in the student's retention/graduation GPA. Course work with a passing grade included in a reprieved semester may be used to demonstrate competency in the subject matter. However, the course work may not be used to fulfill credit hour requirements.
 7. A student may not receive more than one academic reprieve.
 8. Academic reprieves granted by other colleges and universities are not automatically honored by RSU. Students who have received such reprieves from other institutions may apply for academic reprieves for the same semester(s) under RSU guidelines.
 9. If a student is granted an academic reprieve for a particular semester, none of the course work earned during that semester will be included in calculating the retention/graduation GPA. None of the course work earned during a reprieved semester will count as credit hours in meeting graduation requirements; however, required courses successfully completed during this reprieved semester will not have to be repeated.
 10. A student who has earned a baccalaureate degree may not receive an academic reprieve.

Academic Renewal

Academic Renewal is a provision allowing a student who has had academic trouble in the past and who has been out of higher education for a number of years to recover without penalty and have a fresh start. Under Academic Renewal, course work taken prior to a date specified by the institution is not counted in the student's graduation/retention GPA.

In accordance with the policies of the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education and Rogers State University, a student may **request** an Academic Renewal if he/she meets the following guidelines:

1. At least five years must have elapsed between the last semester being renewed and the renewal request.
2. 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.
3. The request will be for all courses completed before the date specified in the request for renewal.
4. The student must petition for consideration of Academic Renewal according to institutional policy.

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.

NOTE: Academic Forgiveness Provisions do not apply to Graduate course work. The retention/graduation GPA, defined herein, may or may not be utilized for admission to Teacher Education, Nursing programs, graduate schools, etc. Students seeking such admissions should contact appropriate officials in those areas for further information in this regard.