

Title: Undergraduate Academic Forgiveness

Category: Academic Affairs

Responsible Cabinet Member: Provost

Purpose

To assist undergraduate students who have been readmitted to the University of Kentucky after an interruption of two (2) or more continuous years and who wish to begin a new academic record.

Scope

Readmitted students who have completed at least one semester or a minimum of 12 credit hours at the University of Kentucky with a GPA of 2.0 or higher may choose to exclude all previous University coursework from counting toward graduation and in the computation of their GPAs. Both part-time and full-time students are eligible.

Process

Students who meet the eligibility requirements may petition the dean, or dean's designee, of the college in which they are currently enrolled for academic forgiveness after completion of 12 credit hours or one (1) semester of work.

The 12-hour requirement must be met through courses offered by the University and taken after readmission. These may include regular University courses or independent study, provided the course is offered by the University. All 12 hours must be taken for a letter grade (i.e., "A," "B," "C," "D," "F" "E", "XF" or "XE").

The dean of the student's college may permit a readmitted student who has elected to exclude past coursework to receive credit for selected courses, while excluding those grades in the GPA computation (cumulative or otherwise). Students need not have been originally suspended from the University to qualify for this option.

Students who have previously completed a bachelor's degree and re-enroll are not eligible to apply this Academic Forgiveness policy to courses used in the completed degree. The Academic Forgiveness option may be exercised only once and must be initiated while the student is a readmitted undergraduate.

Appeals of the college dean's decision may be submitted to the Office of the Provost, whose decision is final.