ECERTIFICATION

Having read and understood the Academic Renewal Policy printed on the back, I think myself eligible and hereby request Academic Renewal. In doing so, I understand that, if my application is approved, my decision to enroll at Middle Georgia State University under the Academic Renewal Policy is irreversible and will result in forfeiting credits earned previously with D grades.

Date

Signature of Student

DECISION

Eligible

Ineligible

Explanation

Date

Registrar’s Office Processor

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ACADEMIC RENEWAL POLICY
Effective Fall 2014

Academic Renewal Policy
Undergraduate students who are either returning to a USG institution or are transferring to a USG institution may be eligible for Academic Renewal. Academic Renewal for the student signals the initiation of a new grade point average to be used for determining academic standing. This provision allows USG degree-seeking students who earlier experienced academic difficulty (GPA less than 2.50) to make a fresh start and have one final opportunity to earn an associate or bachelor’s degree. A student must be absent 3 years from a regionally accredited institution.

The following procedures will apply for students seeking academic renewal:

Applying for Academic Renewal

1. Students must apply for Academic Renewal in the Office of the Registrar. Applications are also available on the Registrar’s website.
2. Students are encouraged to apply for Academic Renewal status at the time of admission, re-enrollment or enrollment as a transfer student.
3. Academic Renewal is granted only one time.

All previously attempted coursework continues to be recorded on the student’s official transcript.

1. A renewal GPA is begun when the student resumes taking coursework following approval for Academic Renewal.
2. The Academic Renewal GPA will be used for determining academic standing, honors, and eligibility for graduation.
   a. To earn a degree from Middle Georgia State University, a student must meet the residency requirements after acquiring Academic Renewal status.
   b. The renewal GPA will be used for honors at graduation.

Readmitted Students
USG undergraduate students who return to their home institution may be eligible for Academic Renewal for coursework taken prior to the period of absence. Students must be absent from the USG institution for a minimum 3 years. Transfer credit for any coursework taken during the period of absence will be granted according to the college policies regarding transfer credits. Student must meet all admissions standards based on transferrable credits.

Transfer Students
Students who leave a regionally accredited institution of higher education and transfer to Middle Georgia State University may be eligible for Academic Renewal for coursework taken prior to the 3 year period of absence required for Academic Renewal eligibility. Only coursework completed prior to the eligibility window can be considered for Academic Renewal. Courses taken more recently than the period of eligibility are ineligible for consideration for Academic Renewal. However, transfer credit can be granted for coursework taken during this period according to the institution’s policies regarding transfer credits.

Suspensions
Any scholastic suspensions that occurred in the past shall remain recorded on the student’s permanent record.

Grade Point Average
The Renewal GPA begins with the semester following re-enrollment.

Programs
The granting of Academic Renewal does not supersede the admissions requirements of certain programs, e.g., teacher education, business, and nursing, which require a specific minimum grade point average based upon all coursework.

Financial Aid Implications
The granting of Academic Renewal does not supersede financial aid policies regarding Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP). All attempts will count in the calculation of your GPA for financial aid. In many cases the GPA will be different from your institutional GPA.