

To: Joel Avrin, Faculty President
From: Kim Harris, Chair FAPSC
Date: November 4, 2019
Re: Motion to revise the Academic Policy concerning Grading and
Limiting the Number of Course Attempts

Appendices:

*Tracked Changes: UNC Charlotte Academic Policy and Procedure:
Grading – **Without Grade Replacement***

Motion. At our October 16, 2019 meeting, the Faculty Academic Policy and Standards Committee voted unanimously to recommend revisions to the UNC Charlotte Academic Policy concerning Grading that address the issue of repeated course attempts by students . A version of the current policy with the tracked recommended changes is appended as a separate document.

Justification.

- The committee agreed that the grade of C in the first paragraph was not necessary because the phrase “D, H, P, or above” would certainly include the grade of C.
- The committee agreed that changing “and” to “or” in the list of people who could give approval for repeating courses was appropriate because there are different procedures for approval across departments and colleges.
- The committee agreed that limiting the number of course attempts to three was appropriate and would encourage (and in some cases force) students to change their majors or minors.
- Since there are some departments and colleges (for example, Belk College of Business, Lee College of Engineering, and the Department of Chemistry) with stricter rules concerning course attempts, the committee agreed that it was appropriate to include the sentence that clarifies this issue.

UNC CHARLOTTE ACADEMIC POLICY AND PROCEDURE: GRADING

Without Grade Replacement

In all courses which are not identified as being repeatable for additional credits, a student who has received a grade of ~~C~~, D, H, P, or above in a course may repeat that course only with prior approval of the student's advisor, department chair, ~~and~~ or dean. Students seek approval by following the directions for their major's college to request a repeat override, found online at ninercentral.uncc.edu/courses-registration/repeat-course-overrides. An undergraduate student who received an F or U in a course may repeat a course without seeking outside approval. All students are limited to attempt any given course (all courses taken at UNC Charlotte including those in which the student received a W) a maximum of three times at UNC Charlotte. Courses in which students withdrew with extenuating circumstances (WE) are not included in the three attempts. Departments and colleges may apply a stricter standard that have a stricter policy concerning the repeating of courses supercede the maximum of three attempts. All grades for repeated courses will be shown on the student's official transcript and be used in the calculation of the grade point average. For prerequisite purposes, the most recent grade will be used whether or not it is the highest.

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