

Rationale for Revisions: The primary reason for updating this regulation is to permit students who meet the eligibility criteria to petition sooner. Currently, students who are placed on probationary status for two consecutive semesters lose enrollment priority and beginning in fall 2016, students will also lose eligibility for the California Board of Governor's fee waiver. There are a number of reasons that lead students to probationary status. However, some students demonstrate a significant academic improvement subsequent to the semester they were on probation. Given our current policy, a lapse of two years is required. Proposed is a change to a lapse of one year.

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3. There must be a lapse of at least ~~two~~ one years since completion of the most recent coursework to be disregarded. All coursework will remain legible on the student's permanent record ensuring a true and complete record. The student's permanent record shall be annotated so that it is readily evident to all users of the record that any course disregarded may not satisfy certificate, degree, or general education course requirements.

Reference: Title 5, Section ~~5576555046~~; Education Code Section ~~76224~~ 70901.5

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CLEAN VERSION

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3. There must be a lapse of at least one year since completion of the most recent coursework to be disregarded. All coursework will remain legible on the student's permanent record ensuring a true and complete record. The student's permanent record shall be annotated so that it is readily evident to all users of the record that any course disregarded may not satisfy certificate, degree, or general education course requirements.

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