

## AR 4331 (New #4240) Academic Renewal

Academic ~~R~~enewal is a process intended to facilitate transfer, degree and certificate completion, and ~~/or~~ removal from academic probation or academic disqualification. The student must meet with a counselor and complete an academic renewal petition. A maximum of 30 semester units may be disregarded under this policy. Final approval of the petition will be granted by the Admissions and Records Office. ~~Once approved,~~ academic renewal is irreversible.

To qualify for academic renewal, the student must meet the following criteria:

1. Coursework to be disregarded is limited to "D" and "F" grades in courses not subsequently completed with a "C" or ~~higher better~~ at SMC, ~~or at another accredited institution.~~
2. The student's previous performance ~~is does~~ not reflective of their recent demonstrated ability. ~~Subsequent to the coursework to be disregarded, the student must have completed a minimum of 36 semester units with at least a 2.0 GPA, or a minimum of 24 semester units with at least a 2.5 GPA, or a minimum of 15 semester units with at least a 3.0 GPA at a regionally accredited college or university. Units must be consecutive and must have begun any time after the coursework to be disregarded.~~

After the semester or session of the coursework to be disregarded, the student must have completed a minimum of 12 consecutive semester units with a 2.0 GPA at a regionally accredited institution. Consecutive semester units must have been completed any time after the semester or session of the coursework to be disregarded.

3. There must be a lapse of at least ~~one-year~~ six months since after the semester or session of the ~~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 55046; Education Code Section 70901.5

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