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**UNC Charlotte Academic Policy: Readmission of Former Students**

**I. Introduction**

There is no introduction for this policy.

**II. Policy Statement**

The following individuals must make application for readmission to the University prior to the semester or summer term for which registration is sought: a former student who has graduated, a former student who has been suspended for academic or disciplinary reasons, and a student who has not been enrolled for 12 consecutive months after the semester last attended at UNC Charlotte. (Example of the latter: last enrolled Fall semester 2009; not enrolled Spring or Fall 2010; to enroll in Spring 2011 student must apply in Fall 2010.) Application should be filed at the Office of the Registrar in accordance with the published dates. Such individuals must meet the GPA and departmental progression requirements of the major in which they will return. Official transcripts from any institution attended during the student’s absence from the University must be submitted prior to enrollment.

Students may be readmitted one time under the “Associate Degree Rule” or the “Two-Year Rule” but not both.

**ASSOCIATE DEGREE RULE**

Students who leave UNC Charlotte and subsequently earn an Associate of Arts (AA), an Associate of Science (AS), or an Associate of Fine Arts (AFA) degree may apply for readmission as transfer students and transfer a maximum of 64 semester hours, including hours from UNC Charlotte or other four-year institutions applied to the Associate Degree. Readmission under the associate degree rule also resets the student’s W-limit hours (as described in the Withdrawals policy) to the full 16 hours.

**TWO-YEAR RULE**

Any undergraduate student who has not been enrolled at UNC Charlotte for a minimum period of 24 consecutive months is eligible for one readmission under the “Two-Year Rule.” The “Two-Year Rule” will be applied automatically if the student is eligible. (Students electing not to have it applied may exercise this option by filing a form with the Office of the Registrar after consulting with their advisor and obtaining approval from the dean of their college.) Colleges and departments which have published admission or continued enrollment standards that are more restrictive than general University requirements retain the right to admit or to deny readmission to a specific program.

If a student is readmitted under the provisions of the “Two-Year Rule,” only those courses for which the student has received a grade of C or above (or H or P) can be used for academic credit. Readmission under the two-year rule also resets the student’s W-limit hours (as described in the Withdrawals policy) to the full 16 hours. The GPA will be based only on the courses that return with the student and the courses taken after readmission. Eligibility for continued enrollment is determined as in the case of transfer students. To qualify for graduation with honors, a readmitted student must have a GPA computed on at least 48 hours taken in residence on which the UNC Charlotte GPA is based.

**SECOND BACCALAUREATE MAJOR/ BACCALAUREATE MINOR**
Students who have earned a bachelor's degree from UNC Charlotte may apply for readmission into a program leading to a second major or to a baccalaureate minor. Refer to section entitled Declaring Majors and Minors.

Note: Readmission after Academic or Disciplinary Suspension is not automatic. An application for readmission must be made and approved. Included in the approval must be an acceptance from the department in which the student would major.

III. Definitions

- **College** – An academic unit of the University. Each of the seven discipline-based colleges at UNC Charlotte represents an organization of related departments.
- **Department** – A unit within a college representing a discipline. For example, the Department of English is in the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences.
- **GPA (Grade Point Average)** – A system of recording academic achievement based on an average of a student's grades. The student's semester GPA is an average of grade points earned during that semester, ranging from 0.0 to 4.0. Cumulative GPA is an average of all grade points earned in a certain degree program or university.
- **Readmission** – Approval of the enrollment or admission of a former student.
- **Registrar** – The official at the University who is responsible for maintaining student records. The Office of the Registrar plans and oversees registration, academic record maintenance, transcript preparation, graduation, a degree audit report system, and curricular records.
- **Semester or Term** – A period of study of approximately 16 weeks, usually half of the academic year (i.e., fall and spring semesters). The fall semester begins in August and the spring semester begins in January at UNC Charlotte. There are summer terms as well: one ten-week and two five-week terms.

IV. Policy Contact(s)

- **Authority:** Faculty Council [Faculty Academic Policy and Standards Committee]
- **Responsible Office:** Office of the Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs
- **Additional Contact(s):** Office of the Registrar

V. History

- Revised: March 20, 1997

VI. Related Policies, Procedures and Resources

- Office of the Registrar FAQs About Academic Suspension
- Readmission Application

VII. Frequently Asked Questions

There are no Frequently Asked Questions for this policy.