

Academic Renewal - Graduate

Academic Affairs

Academic Standards Policies

Policy Owner: Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs

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Policy Summary:

This policy outlines the regulations and procedures for academic renewal at the graduate level.

Policy Statement:

1. A graduate student who (a) stopped out with a cumulative grade point average of less than 3.00, or was suspended, or was academically separated, and (b) has not attended Fort Lewis College for at least six consecutive terms (e.g., Spring, Summer, Fall, Spring, Summer, Fall) may apply for academic renewal.
2. Students must be readmitted following procedures established by the Director of Admission to be eligible to submit a petition for academic renewal.
3. Students will be granted academic renewal only once.
4. Petitions are due to the Registrar's Office by Census Day of the student's first term back at Fort Lewis College.
5. If a student is approved for academic renewal:
 - A. The student's academic transcript will denote "ACADEMIC RENEWAL APPROVED" with the date.
 - B. All coursework completed prior to renewal will remain visible on the student's academic transcript.
 - C. Grades in all courses completed prior to renewal will not be used in the calculation of the grade point average.
 - D. Credits from previously completed courses with an earned grade of B- or higher are eligible to count toward degree completion if they are allowable under the Time Limits on Coursework Policy.
6. Students granted academic renewal are assigned Good Standing for the initial semester. Standings assignments for the second and subsequent semesters of attendance will be determined following Graduate Academic Standings policy.
7. Students granted academic renewal will be required to complete at least **12 credit hours applicable to the POS** after readmission before they are eligible for a graduate degree, even if

all other degree requirements have been met.

8. Academic renewal applies only to Fort Lewis College. Other colleges may or may not accept the action of academic renewal.

Responsibilities:

For following the policy: Graduate Student

For enforcement of the policy: Registrar

For oversight of the policy: Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs

For Notification of policy: Registrar

For procedures for implementing policy: Policy Librarian

Definitions:

Graduate students enrolled in graduate level courses at Fort Lewis College who are attending less than half time, half time, three quarters time, or full time.

Review and Revision History:

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