

Academic Renewal and Progress Renewal Policies

SMC's Academic Renewal and Progress Renewal Policies were recently changed, which means you may now qualify under the new guidelines. You must see an SMC counselor, who will review your transcript, and any other college transcripts on file, and then complete the petition.

If you are using transcripts from another college to qualify for Academic and/or Progress Renewal, official transcripts from the other college(s) **MUST** be sent directly from the college, to the SMC Admissions Office. The petition will only be processed once they are received by SMC.

Please read the following policies to see if you qualify.

Academic Renewal

1. Petitioned coursework has not been previously used in the awarding of a SMC degree, certificate, or CSUGE certification.
2. Coursework to be disregarded is limited to 'D' and 'F' grades in courses not subsequently completed with a 'C' or higher at SMC.
3. Student's previous performance is not reflective of 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.
4. There must be a lapse of at least one year since completion of the most recent coursework to be disregarded.

Progress Renewal

1. Coursework to be disregarded is limited to Withdrawal ("W"), No Credit ("NC"), and No Pass ("NP") notations/grades.
2. The student's previous performance is 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, 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. Any Withdrawal ("W"), Incomplete ("I"), No Credit ("NC"), or No Pass ("NP") notation/grades received during this time-frame will make the student ineligible for progress renewal.
3. There must be a lapse of at least one year since completion of the most recent coursework to be disregarded.

Still not sure if you qualify? Meet with an SMC counselor. We can help.