

Academic Renewal

Reference: Title 5, Section 55044 and 55046

In order to graduate from Palo Verde College, students must have earned a minimum grade point average of 2.0. However, the college recognizes that students who have done poorly in the past can and do return to their studies with a determination to succeed. Therefore, a policy has been established to give them a reasonable opportunity to do so.

1. The college may eliminate in grade point calculations up to a maximum of 18 units which are not reflective of present ability and level of performance.
2. A student shall have completed a minimum of 15 units with a minimum of 3.0 GPA, or 30 units with a minimum of 2.0 GPA subsequent to the course work to be eliminated and shall present a written petition to the Vice President of Instruction/Student Services for academic renewal.
3. A minimum of 12 months shall have elapsed since the course work to be eliminated was recorded.
4. Work to be eliminated shall be on a semester basis. All work for the designated semester will be eliminated without regard to requirements for graduation, GPA, field of concentration, honors, general education or units. Any work eliminated, which would otherwise meet a particular requirement, will have to be fulfilled by retaking a course or by other legitimate means.
5. Course work that has been eliminated will remain on the student's transcript. The transcript shall be appropriately annotated to indicate that academic renewal has been applied, including the specific course(s) affected.

Specific courses and/or categories of courses that are exempt from academic renewal must be described. A student shall be granted academic renewal only once. Academic renewal actions are irreversible. When academic renewal procedures permit previously recorded substandard coursework to be disregarded in the computation of a student's grade point average, the student's permanent academic record should contain an accurate record of all coursework to ensure a complete academic history.

Academic renewal procedures may not conflict with the District's obligation to retain and destroy records or with the instructor's ability to determine a student's final grade.

See also BP 4220 - Standards of Scholarship

(Formerly PVC Administrative Regulation 5180)

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