

## **Limited Grade Forgiveness Policy**

Under the conditions outlined below, undergraduate students who have retaken courses and earned a higher grade may request to have the first grade excluded from their institutional GPA. If the request is approved, the Office of the Registrar will make appropriate notations next to the original course and the retaken course on the student's official transcript. Grades for all attempts at the course will appear on the student's official transcript regardless of whether or not the grade has been excluded from the student's GPA.\* This policy has no effect on any GPA requirements set by state or federal laws/regulations (such as the GPA requirements set by the HOPE scholarship program). A copy of the request and approval will become part of the student's permanent record file. The attempt to repeat must be made in Spring 2019 or thereafter. Students who have repeated courses prior to this date will not be allowed to delete earlier attempts from their GPA calculation.

An undergraduate student may request to have a grade excluded from GPA computation under the following conditions:

- Only courses in Areas A through E of the University CORE are eligible for grade forgiveness.
- Only courses taken at Georgia Southern University are eligible for grade forgiveness.
- No more than a total of five course grades (from five different courses) may be replaced and excluded from the student's GPA calculations.
- Before requesting to apply the limited grade forgiveness policy, a student must have either retaken the same undergraduate course (or the renumbered substitute for that course) or taken a course that satisfies the same CORE requirement and earned a higher grade in the course retaken.
- Once a request has been approved the request cannot be revoked or reversed.
- Only grades of D, F, and WF may be forgiven.
- This policy does not apply if the original grade was assigned as a result of a violation of the Student Code of Conduct.
- The Limited Grade Forgiveness Policy applies only to degree-seeking students pursuing their first undergraduate degree at Georgia Southern University.

\*Courses that do not count towards GPA calculations cannot count towards degree requirements.

## **Financial Aid Implications**

The granting of limited grade forgiveness does not supercede financial aid policies regarding Satisfactory Academic Progress.

