Significant Lapse of Time

Reference: Title 5 Section 55043

Students may be permitted or required to repeat courses in which a “C” or better grade was earned where there was a significant lapse of time since the grade was obtained and:

- The District has defined “significant lapse of time” to be five or more years, except in cases where the college or some other entity has established a recency prerequisite or requirement for a course or program; or
- An institution of higher education to which a student wishes to transfer has established a recency requirement that the student cannot satisfy without repeating the course.

When a student needs to repeat an activity course due to significant lapse of time, each repetition attempt will be counted toward the established repetition limits. However, if a student has already exhausted the number of permitted repetitions, then an additional repetition due to significant lapse of time may be permitted or required by the District.

When a course is repeated due to a significant lapse of time, the District will disregard the previous grade and credit when computing a student’s grade point average.

See also BP4220 - Standards of Scholarship

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