

# AP 4240 Academic Renewal Policy – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading

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## AP 4240 – Academic Renewal

Academic Renewal is a process intended to disregard students' previously substandard coursework when such work does not reflect current demonstrated ability. Academic Renewal is also intended to facilitate transfer, degree and certificate completion, and removal from academic probation or academic disqualification. A maximum of 30 semester units may be disregarded under this policy. Coursework completed at another institutions requires submission of official transcripts. Final approval of the petition will be granted by the Admissions and Records Office. Academic Renewal is permanent and irreversible.

To qualify for Academic Renewal, the student must meet the following criteria:

1. Coursework to be disregarded is limited to “D”, “F”, and “FW” grades.
2. Courses used in ~~the major in awarding an Associate Degree or GE certification~~ **a degree or certificate that has already been awarded** cannot be academically renewed.
3. Academic Renewal may be granted multiple times by Victor Valley College but is limited to a total of 30 units. Students can submit Academic Renewal more than once.
4. After the semester or session of the coursework to be disregarded, the student must have meet any of the following criteria as accepted evidence of current satisfactory academic performance:
  - 12 units with at least a 2.0 GPA

All coursework will remain legible on the student's permanent record, ensuring a true and complete record. The student's permanent record shall be annotated so that it is readily evident to all users of the record that any course disregarded may not satisfy certificate, degree, or general education course requirements. Academic Renewal is not recognized for financial aid purposes, and is always counted in units attempted, GPA calculation, and maximum time frame, even when a more favorable grade was subsequently received, both attempts would be counted.

This petition is submitted to Admissions and Records.

Reference: Title 5, Section 55046; Education Code Section 70901.5