

# **GRADUATE STUDIES PETITION** OFFICE OF GRADUATE STUDIES

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#### INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION & SUBMISSION

This form should be filled in electronically and printed. The printed hardcopy should then be submitted for signatures. Please read all instructions prior to form submission. Complete all parts. Incomplete forms will be returned to the student unprocessed and will delay action on your request.

#### PURPOSE

To add, drop, or change hours for course registration, after the end of the first week, Add/Drop/Fee deadline, in each semester.

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR REQUIREMENTS

- Petitions will not be processed if an administration hold exists on the student's record. The student should log into OASIS to check the hold status. Resolve any holds before submitting this petition. The program/department should verify the student's hold status before forwarding the petition for approvals. If a hold is found in the student's record, do not forward the petition for processing. Notify the student of the hold and return the petition to him/her unprocessed.
- A written letter or note is required from the student indicating the reason for the petition request.
- Written documentation or explanation from an employer, doctor, etc. on letterhead verifying the circumstances associated with the petition request is required. A printed OASIS page indicating an error message can be submitted as proof of technical difficulties when you attempted to register or drop a class before the end of the first week of classes.
- **Petition requests** may take several weeks to process. Timing is determined by the availability of all the signers, processing time in each department and routing time from department to department via campus mail.
- **Tuition/Fee Liability:** An action taken on a petition may result in a late registration fee, late payment fee and additional tuition costs for the addition of credit hours. A petition to drop a course **does not** remove the student's financial liability.
- Fee Adjustment form: If the student completes a petition to drop a course because of extenuating circumstances that was beyond their control, they may submit a Fee Adjustment Form directly to the Office of the Registrar for consideration after the petition request has been approved by all signers and processed by the Registrar. The Office of the Registrar will make a final determination concerning the fee adjustment request.
- Late Registration Payment Waiver form: may be completed and submitted to the Office of the Registrar if the student has registered and is paying their tuition late because of circumstances beyond their control.
- Both the Fee Adjustment form and the Late Registration Fee Waiver form.

## DIRECTIONS FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

**INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS:** Please check YES or NO in the International Student box on the front of the petition to verify your International student status. Students with an F-1 Visa must meet with the ISSS advisor prior to submitting this form for signature. If the advisor does not approve the delete request, DO NOT PROCEED WITH THIS WRITTEN REQUEST. Petition requests for International students will not be processed without prior ISSS approval. Make an appointment with an ISSS Advisor by calling (813) 974-5102. Information about immigration status is available at: <a href="http://global.usf.edu/is/cur-F1.php">http://global.usf.edu/is/cur-F1.php</a>.

**ISSS ADVISOR:** The ISSS Advisor should check the YES box and provide initials indicating approval of the request within the International student box on the front of the form. A written approval letter on letterhead from ISSS may be attached to the petition if special circumstances are to be considered.

- Name: Input last name first, then first name and middle initial (if applicable).
- USF ID#: Input your USF ID#, (DO NOT put in your Social Security Number).
- Address: Input your current mailing address. If this is different from what is on file in the Office of the Registrar, please contact the Registrar to update your file.
- Email Address: Input your email address. Please make sure this email address is one that you check regularly so that you are aware of any information electronically sent to you in a timely manner.
- **Telephone Number:** Input your telephone number including area code. Make sure the number is one that can be reached easily in case there are any problems or questions about your form.
- **College & Department:** Abbreviate your college, (i.e., AS, BA, BC, ED, EN, FA, GR, GS, MD, MS, NR, PH, RX) and add your Major/Department, (i.e. Biology, Public Health, Elementary Education, Sociology, etc.)
- Student Classification: Check the appropriate box for your correct student classification.

## PART II: COURSE INFORMATION

- Semester & Year Action is Requested: If you want to drop, add or change hours for a class registration, check the appropriate box for the semester in which you want to take the action. Write in the year.
- Is Action Requested?: Check correct box (see below)
  - Late, (i.e. requested action is for the current semester, after the first week of class).
  - Readmit after P3, (i.e. Student is currently in probationary three status and has a probationary hold that does not allow registration without submission of the Graduate Petition for readmission after P3).
- Readmit after P3 petitions must have an action plan from the student's advisor attached. The action plan must include steps the student will need to take for removal from probationary status. The action plan must be signed by the advisor and the student indicating approval and understanding of the action plan. Any courses the student and advisor agree the student should register for must be submitted on the face of the petition. The Readmit after P3 petition request may be requested only one time for one semester, with the condition that the student return to good academic standing (GPA at or above 3.00) once grades are submitted and the Registrar updates the student record for the semester. If there is no possibility that the student will achieve good academic standing within one semester, the Graduate Studies Petition to Readmit after P3 should not be submitted.

## PART III: COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- Instructor: Check the appropriate box, sign and date the form. Please add your email address or contact phone number for immediate contact if necessary. Be advised, the student may request an Instructor's approval via email, noting the reason for the request, the reference number, prefix, number, section and hours. The Instructor may give approval via email and the student may attach the Instructor's emailed approval to the petition in lieu of the Instructor's signature.
- Department/Program Chairperson/Director and College Dean/Coordinator: Check the appropriate box, sign and date the form. Please add your email address or contact phone number. Original signatures are required in these areas. Email responses are not acceptable.
- **Comments:** All signers may use the comment lines to add a brief statement or verification of facts, (i.e., student has completed all assignments to date, etc.)
- **PTA:** (Power to Act): Colleges have been given the "power to act" on petition requests through the tenth week of classes in the Spring and Fall semesters. The PTA option should be exercised on Summer petition requests through the date established and indicated on the Registrar's calendar as the "last date to withdraw without academic penalty" for Summer A, B and C sessions. The College Dean or Coordinator must check the PTA box and send the original petition with all attachments directly to the Office of the Registrar to expedite processing. Colleges must also send a copy of all petitions that have been given PTA approval to the Office of Graduate Studies (ALN 226).

**EXCEPTIONS TO PTA APPROVAL:** Requests related to readmit after P3, dissertation credit, past term and delete requests must be approved by the Office of Graduate Studies. Delete requests should be submitted on a Graduate Delete Course form.

## PART IV: DECISION OF THE OFFICE OF GRADUATE STUDIES ASSOCIATE DEAN

- Graduate Dean/Associate Dean: Check the appropriate box, sign, and date the form. Please add your email address or contact phone number. Original signatures are required in these areas. Email responses are not acceptable.
- **Comment**: Signer may use the comment line to add a brief statement.
- Routing/Approvals: If approval is needed by the Office of Graduate Studies, the original form will be forwarded to the Office of the Registrar with two copies attached. Once processed by the Office of the Registrar, the Registrar will forward one copy to the college and one copy to the student.



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PART I: STUDENT INFORMATION (STUDENT)							
Last Name	First Name		USF ID#				
Street Address	City		State	Zip Code			
Email		Phone Number					
Student Classification Master's	Doctoral	Certificate Program	🗌 Non-Deg	gree Seeking			
College		Department					

PART II: COURSE INFORMATION (STUDENT)										
Semester &	Semester & Year in which action is requested?				Summe	Summer Fall		Year:		
Is Action Requested			Semest	er)		Readmit after P3				
Check here if you are dropping courses in exchange for adding course				rses in tl	he same seme	ster?		Yes		
<b>Courses to be added or dropped:</b> Check one action and fill in all course information below. If a drop is approved, a "W" will be noted the transcript. The student remains financially liable for a dropped course.										
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Change Hours? Use this section to change (increase/decrease) the hours only for a currently registered course. Enter course info.										
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Student Signature		Da	Date							

	PART III: COMMENTS AN	ID RECOMMENDATIONS (INSTRUCTOR(S),	/DEPT/COLLEGE	1
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🗌 Deny	Department Chair/Director Name	Signature	Date	Email or Phone (required)
Comments:				
Approve				
	College Dean/Designee Name	Signature	Date	Email or Phone (required)
Comments:				

PART IV: DECISION OF THE ASSOCIATE DEAN OF THE OFFICE OF GRADUATE STUDIES							
🗌 Approve 🗌 Deny							
Comments Attached	Graduate Studies Associate Dean/Designee Name	Signature	Date				