

ACADEMIC RENEWAL

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA 2019-20 UNDERGRADUATE CATALOG

<https://www.usf.edu/undergrad/academic-processes/academic-regulations-committee/reinstatement.aspx>

The Academic Renewal policy allows students previously dismissed from the University or former students returning with a USF grade point average (GPA) below 2.00 to renew their pursuit of baccalaureate degrees without the responsibility of having to overcome the entire burden of low grades and low grade-point-averages. To facilitate this opportunity, students who qualify for academic renewal may, with the approval of the Academic Regulations (ARC) Committee, have portions of their academic record excluded from calculation of their GPAs.

To be eligible for academic renewal, the student must select a major in which they will graduate according to the degree progression policy. The entire academic record, however, will continue to be reflected on your transcripts even though a selected portion will not be counted in your GPA. Academic renewal students are admitted with the same terms of academic probation and dismissal as other undergraduate students. Academic renewal will only be applied to a student's academic record one time at USF. Students returning to the University under academic renewal may incur excess hours and associated monetary penalty.

Academic Renewal 1 (AR-1)

Students who have been academically dismissed or former students returning with a USF grade point average (GPA) below 2.00 may petition the Academic Regulations Committee (ARC) to return to the University under AR-1. A student will be considered for reinstatement to the University under academic renewal 1 after completing all requirements for the Associate of Arts degree or equivalent (including General Education, State Communication and Computation Requirements) at a two- or four-year college other than USF. Academic Renewal 1 students will enter USF as an upper-level student and their USF GPAs will be calculated from that point forward. While AR-1 is required for students who have earned less than 60 credit hours, it is not restricted to those students. In order to graduate following re-admission under AR-1, all campus and major residency and degree requirements must be met.

Students must:

1. Complete the AA degree. Official transcripts must be received by the Office of Admissions.
2. Meet with the academic advisor in the major they intend to pursue upon return and complete the Academic Advising Record for Reinstatement Through Academic Renewal 1 or 2 form.
3. Complete the *Reinstatement After Academic Dismissal form*, and check the box for "AR1".
4. Write personal statements addressing why they should be considered for reinstatement, how they have overcome specific barriers that previously affected academic success and a clear rationale for pursuit of the selected major.

Forms are available at <https://www.usf.edu/undergrad/academic-processes/academic-regulations-committee/forms.aspx>.

Academic Renewal II (AR-II)

Academic Renewal II is available to students who were academically dismissed or former students returning with a USF grade point average (GPA) below 2.00 and have 60 or more earned credits from USF or other institutions of higher education. These students will be considered for reinstatement to the University under Academic Renewal II, after a break in USF enrollment for a full academic year (fall, spring, and summer). Students may choose to complete major prerequisites at a non-USF institution during this time, but are not required to do so. Students who choose to take courses at a non-USF institution should meet with the academic advisor of their intended USF major prior to enrolling in courses elsewhere. Following readmission under Academic Renewal II, students will have their USF GPA calculated from that point forward. In order to graduate, following readmission under ARII, all campus and major residency and degree requirements must be met.

1. Official transcripts must be received in the Office of Admissions if student was enrolled at another institution during their year away from USF.
2. Complete the *Academic Advising Record for Reinstatement Through Academic Renewal I or II form* with the academic advisor in the major they intend to pursue upon return.
3. Complete the *Reinstatement After Academic Dismissal form*, and check the box for "ARII".

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4. Write personal statements addressing why they should be considered for reinstatement, how they have overcome specific barriers that previously affected academic success and a clear rationale for pursuit of the selected major.

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Submit the *Reinstatement Petition packet* (steps 1 through 4) to the Academic Regulations Committee (ARC) representative in the College of the major they intend to pursue upon return to USF.

Academic Renewal will only be applied to a student's record one time at USF. Students readmitted under academic renewal may be excluded from admission to limited access programs and will not be considered for University Honors at graduation unless they meet the criteria using all grades earned. Students returning to the University under Academic Renewal may incur excess hours and associated monetary penalty. For more information, see <http://www.usf.edu/undergrad/academic-processes/academic-regulations-committee/reinstatement.aspx>.