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GOVERNORS STATE UNIVERSITY

Policy on Graduate Readmissions and Special Admissions

I. Purpose

This policy provides for the possible petition for readmission by graduate students, who left the university on academic probation or who were suspended from the University. The policy also provides for instances of special admission requested by applicants who do not meet the published criteria for admission.

II. Readmission and Special Admissions

All readmissions involving graduate students who were on academic probation when they left the university or those suspended from Governors State University and all special admission cases (defined herein) shall be considered by the University Committee on Readmissions and Special Admissions. The committee shall make recommendations to the appropriate division/department chairperson, who will make the final decision with input from the program faculty.

A. Readmissions involving students who left while on academic probation or who were suspended from Governors State University:

1. Students who have lost continuing status while on academic probation at GSU or who have been academically suspended must apply and, concurrently, petition for readmission. Students suspended from the university will not be allowed to petition for readmission during the next term of enrollment.

2. Current GSU non-degree seeking students not in good academic standing and applying for admission to a degree seeking program must petition for admission to the Committee on Readmissions and Special Admissions.
3. Students readmitted to the University who were on academic probation at GSU in their last semester as a continuing student return under the same status unless they have invoked their right of academic amnesty as defined in Policy 13. In some cases, the committee may recommend, subject to the approval of the dean, readmission on Academic Probation Extended status.
4. Students readmitted to the University who have been academically suspended will be placed on Academic Probation Extended status for their first semester unless they have invoked their right of academic amnesty, as defined in Policy 13.
 - a. Students on Academic Probation Extended who subsequently achieve the minimum cumulative grade point average required for their level (cumulative G.P.A. of 3.0) shall be placed in academic good standing.
 - b. Students on Academic Probation Extended shall remain in this status during each subsequent semester of enrollment as long as they meet or exceed the minimum requirements for their level (semester G.P.A. of 3.0) for academic good standing each semester that they are on Academic Probation Extended status, as defined in Policy 14.
 - c. Students on Academic Probation Extended who do not meet the minimum requirements for their level for academic good standing each semester in which they are enrolled shall be academically suspended.
 - d. Students on Academic Probation Extended receiving a grade(s) of Incomplete will not be permitted to register for subsequent semesters until the Incomplete(s) has been removed.
5. Students suspended/dismissed twice at the post-baccalaureate level for academic reasons from one or more

universities will not be considered for readmission to the University at any later date.

6. International students admitted to the U.S. on an F-1 student visa, are responsible to comply with federal immigration regulations related to readmission after suspension and readmission. Students must contact the Office of International Services for additional information.

B. Special Admissions Cases

1. Applicants who do not meet the minimum admission criteria may petition for admission to a degree program in the following circumstances:
 - a. Applicants not in academic good standing at the last institution attended. [Applicants who were suspended (dismissed) from their last institution on academic grounds may petition for admission for a semester that begins no earlier than one term after their suspension (dismissal).]
 - b. Applicants are seeking admission based on credit/degree(s) earned from a nonregionally accredited-institution(s).
 - c. Applicants who cannot present either the minimum TOEFL scores or ELS level as defined by Policy 9.
2. Applicants who meet minimum University criteria for admission, but who do not meet more selective criteria established by the desired major, should petition directly to the appropriate division/departments chair or director who will make a recommendation to the dean of the appropriate college/school.
3. Applicants not in good conduct standing at the last institution attended must petition for admission to the Committee on Readmissions and Special Admissions, which will make recommendations to Associate Vice President for Student Affairs & Dean of Students who will make a decision after consultation with the program faculty.

III. The University Committee on Readmissions and Special Admissions Committee Membership

- A. This committee shall be composed of one faculty member from each of the five colleges, appointed by the appropriate dean;; the Director of Admissions and Student Recruitment or designee; the Registrar or designee; one representative from the Office of Student Development, appointed by the Director of Student Development; and one student selected by the Associate Vice President for Student Affairs & Dean of Students.
- B. The Director of Admissions and Student Recruitment or designee and the Registrar or designee shall be permanent members of this committee. The Director of Admissions and Student Recruitment or designee shall be the permanent chairperson of this committee. Other members shall serve one year terms, effective with the beginning of the academic year.