

ACADEMIC AMNESTY

A readmitted undergraduate student who has not been in attendance at FGCU for a period of at least three (3) years may apply to the Academic Standards Committee for academic amnesty provided that the application is either submitted with the application for readmission after suspension or prior to the admission application deadline in the term that the student is readmitted to the University. With the approval of the Academic Standards Committee, amnesty will be offered for all previous FGCU coursework in which the student did not earn a grade of "C" or better. Amnesty decisions will be made by the Academic Standards Committee and the committee may, at its sole discretion:

1. Offer amnesty to students who have not requested it via the Request for Readmission application.
2. Review the process for indefinitely dismissed students.
3. Approve amnesty for the student's entire record of previously-earned FGCU credit, or for those courses in which a student did not earn a grade of "C" or better.
4. Approve amnesty conditionally upon the student agreeing to fulfill the Committee's terms of approval. These provisions may include, but are not limited to, the student:
 - a. developing an academic success plan for the student's return;
 - b. meet with both the Center for Academic Achievement (CAA) and the student's assigned academic advisor;
 - c. completing the application process as a returning student through the Undergraduate Admissions office

Offers of academic amnesty will only be made to students whose cumulative GPA is below 2.00 and who have not attended FGCU in the last three (3) years. Such offers will be made in writing by the Academic Standards Committee and will be forwarded to the student via the Offer of Academic Amnesty form. Upon approval by the Academic Standards Committee, the amnesty will be applied to the student's record, and the student will be eligible for readmission to the University as a returning student through Undergraduate Admissions.

If amnesty has been granted, the transcript will then be revised, and the student's GPA will be recalculated omitting all grades less than a "C" during the period for which amnesty was applied. Though they will not be included in the GPA calculation, the courses and grades for which amnesty was awarded will remain on the student's transcript and a statement will appear on the official transcript indicating that amnesty has been applied. Due to the omission of the student's previous academic record from his/her GPA calculation, all grade forgiveness opportunities will be restored per the current University Catalog policy. Additionally, the student will remain responsible for tuition surcharges resulting from repeating courses or taking excess credits for graduation.