

1. PURPOSE

This policy provides a mechanism for undergraduate students to exclude an initial core mathematics course from their SHSU GPA. The policy provides an academic fresh start to students completing a core mathematics requirement if the student did not successfully complete their first core mathematics course, and subsequently changed academic majors to a program requiring a different core mathematics course.

2. GENERAL

2.01 Undergraduate students earning a grade of F in their first and/or second attempts at any single core mathematics course at SHSU, who subsequently earn a passing grade in a different core mathematics course at SHSU, may petition for the failing grade(s) in their initial attempt(s) to be excluded from their SHSU GPA.

2.02 This provision shall be limited to:

- a. core mathematics courses attempted at SHSU,
- b. the first and second attempts of the same initial core mathematics course, and
- c. core mathematics courses for which academic advising records, such as advising notes, reflect the recommendation of the advisor that the student complete the mathematics course first attempted.

3. PROCEDURE

3.01 Students shall initiate a petition with their academic advisor to exclude their first and/or second core mathematics attempt(s), subject to verification of eligibility by the academic advisor, followed by approval of the chair of the Department of Mathematics and Statistics, the dean of the College of Science and Engineering Technology, and the Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs (or their designees).

- a. If a student returns to their initial academic major, any grade(s) of F previously excluded shall not be excluded.
- b. Any failing grade resulting from academic dishonesty shall be ineligible.

3.02 Upon receipt of the approved petition, the Office of the Registrar will complete the processes necessary to exclude the student's failing grade(s) from their SHSU GPA.

APPROVED: _____ < signed > _____
Alisa White, Ph.D., President

DATED: _____ 6/01/2022 _____

CERTIFICATION STATEMENT

This academic policy statement (APS) has been approved by the reviewer listed below and represents SHSU's Division of Academic Affairs' policy from the date of this document until superseded.

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Reviewer: Academic Affairs Council

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Approved: _____ < signed > _____
Michael T. Stephenson, Ph.D.
Provost and Sr. Vice President
for Academic Affairs

Date: _____ 5/31/2022 _____

*Effective January 2018, Academic Policy Statements will be reviewed on a rotating 5-year schedule. To transition to a distributed review load, some policies may be reviewed prior to the 5-year timeframe, with subsequent reviews transitioning to the 5-year schedule.