UNC Charlotte Academic Policy: Readmission of Former Students

I. Introduction

There is no Introduction for this policy.

II. Policy Statement

The following individuals must make application for readmission to the University prior to the semester or summer term for which registration is sought: a former student who has graduated, a former student who has been suspended for academic or disciplinary reasons, and a student who has not been enrolled for 12 consecutive months after the semester last attended at UNC Charlotte. (Example of the latter: last enrolled Fall semester 2009; not enrolled Spring or Fall 2010; to enroll in Spring 2011 student must apply in Fall 2010.) Application should be filed at the Office of the Registrar in accordance with the published dates. Such individuals must meet the GPA and departmental progression requirements of the major in which they will return. Readmission is not automatic: students applying for readmission must meet the requirements of the major in which they wish to return. Application should be filed at the Office of the Registrar in accordance with the published dates. Official transcripts from any institution attended during the student's absence from the University must be submitted prior to enrollment.

Students may be readmitted one time under the "Associate Degree Rule" or the "Two-Year Rule" but not both.

FORGIVENESS POLICY

Undergraduate students who have a break in enrollment from UNC Charlotte for a minimum period of 24 consecutive months or undergraduate students who have a break in enrollment from UNC Charlotte for a minimum of one regular semester and earn an Associate of Arts (AA), an Associate of Science (AS), or an Associate of Fine Arts (AFA) degree are eligible for readmission with forgiveness. Students may be readmitted one time only under this policy.

The forgiveness policy will be applied automatically upon readmission if the student is eligible. Students electing not to apply the forgiveness policy may request to waive the policy in its entirety at the time of readmission only.

If a student is readmitted with forgiveness, only those courses for which the student has received a grade of C or above (or H or P) can be used for academic credit. Readmission under the forgiveness policy also resets the student's W-limit hours (see UNC Charlotte Academic Policy: Withdrawals) to the full 16 hours. The GPA will be based only on the courses that return with the student and the courses taken after readmission. Eligibility for continued enrollment is determined as in the case of transfer students. To qualify for graduation with honors, a readmitted student must have a GPA computed on at least 48 hours taken in residence on which the UNC Charlotte GPA is based.

ASSOCIATE DEGREE RULE

Students who leave UNC Charlotte and subsequently earn an Associate of Arts (AA), an Associate of Science (AS), or an Associate of Fine Arts (AFA) degree may apply for readmission as transfer students and transfer a maximum of 64 semester hours, including hours from UNC Charlotte or other four-year institutions applied to the Associate Degree. Readmission under the "Associate Degree Rule" also resets the student's W-limit hours (as described in the Academic Policy on Withdrawals) to the full 16 hours.

TWO-YEAR RULE

Any undergraduate student who has not been enrolled at UNC Charlotte for a minimum period of 24 consecutive menths is eligible for one readmission under the "Two-Year Rule." The "Two-Year Rule" will be applied automatically if the student is eligible. (Students electing not to have it applied may exercise this option by filing a form with the Office of the Registrar after consulting with their advisor and obtaining approval from the dean of their college.) Colleges and departments which have published admission or continued enrollment standards that are more restrictive than general University requirements retain the right to admit or to deny readmission to a specific program.

If a student is readmitted under the provisions of the "Two-Year Rule," only those courses for which the student has received a grade of C or above (or H or P) can be used for academic credit. Readmission under the "Two-Year Rule" also resets the student's W-limit hours (as described in the Academic Policy on Withdrawals) to the full 16 hours. The GPA will be based only on the courses that return with the student and the courses taken after readmission. Eligibility for continued enrollment is determined as in the case of transfer students. To qualify for graduation with honors, a readmitted student must have a GPA computed on at least 48 hours taken in residence on which the UNC Charlotte GPA is based.

SECOND BACCALAUREATE MAJOR/ BACCALAUREATE MINOR

Students who have earned a bachelor's degree from UNC Charlotte may apply for readmission into a program leading to a second major, minor, or second degree or to a baccalaureate minor (see UNC Charlotte Academic Policy: Declaring Undergraduate Majors and Minors). Refer to section entitled Declaring Majors and Minors. Students readmitted for a second degree are not eligible for application of the forgiveness policy toward the first degree.

Note: Readmission after Academic or Disciplinary Suspension is not automatic. An application for readmission must be made and approved. Included in the approval must be an acceptance from the department in which the student would major.

VII. Frequently Asked Questions

- Can a student seek readmission for a major in which they have already earned a minor?
 Yes, a student who has earned a minor as part of already-earned baccalaureate degree may seek readmission for a major that is in the same subject as the minor.
- Can reverse transfer students from North Carolina community colleges apply for readmission or forgiveness under this policy?
 - No. The readmission and forgiveness policies do not apply to reverse transfer students who have maintained continuous enrollment with the University.