

IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY

Academic Renewal Policy

If you are returning to Iowa State University to pursue an undergraduate degree after an extended absence, you may request permission to remove one or more of your complete academic terms from future degree and GPA considerations.

If you have graduated from Iowa State University, you are **not** eligible to use the academic renewal policy for any purpose, including a second degree or teacher certification.

Eligibility

To be eligible for academic renewal consideration, you must meet the following requirements:

1. Not have been enrolled at Iowa State University for five or more consecutive years.
2. Have not graduated from Iowa State University.
3. Currently be in good academic standing. (If you were previously dismissed, you must be reinstated).
4. Must enroll at Iowa State University to activate the petition.

Conditions

Academic renewal is based on the following conditions:

1. All courses and credits that were taken during the chosen terms will be removed from consideration for GPA and degree requirements. You may not combine courses from multiple terms to comprise the semester(s) or quarter(s) dropped. Degree requirements met during the dropped terms will ordinarily have to be repeated.
2. Renewal may be applied only to academic terms completed prior to your extended absence.
3. All courses and grades for the chosen terms will remain on your academic record.
4. Designated repeats, drops and P/NP options will be reinstated for the terms dropped.
5. If you have used all of your drop options, you will be given one extra drop.
6. You may be granted only one academic renewal.

To be eligible for a degree, you must complete a minimum of 24 credit hours at Iowa State after the granting of academic renewal.

Procedures

1. Discuss your desire to pursue academic renewal with an adviser in the college you wish to enter.
2. Submit a petition (attached) for academic renewal to the Office of the Registrar. You may obtain a petition from your college office.

