BP 4240  Academic Renewal

Reference:
Title 5, Sections 55046

If the following conditions are met the Santa Clarita Community College District may disregard from all consideration associated with the computation of a student’s cumulative grade point average all grades of “D”, “F”, “FW” and “NP (No Pass)” earned in up to a maximum of two (2) semesters of coursework or three (3) quarters taken at the Santa Clarita Community College District.

4240.1 These conditions are –

   A. The coursework to be disregarded is substandard. The semester/quarter grade point average in which the disregarded courses occur is less than 2.0.

   B. A minimum of 24 semester units have been completed at a college in the Santa Clarita Community College District, subsequent to the coursework to be disregarded AND all subsequent coursework must be completed with a minimum 2.0 grade point average.

   C. At least 3 (three) calendar years have elapsed since the most recent coursework to be disregarded.

   D. Academic renewal cannot be used to set aside a semester containing units or coursework which has been used to meet graduation requirements by a student who has previously graduated.

4240.2 Even though academic renewal is granted, all coursework will remain legible on the student’s permanent record (transcript), ensuring a true and complete academic history. The student’s permanent record will be annotated, however, so that it is readily evident to all users of the records that the “D”, “F”, “FW” and/or “NP” units are to be disregarded. This notation will be made at the time that the appropriate college office has received notification of approval.

4240.3 Only units and grade points from courses with “D”, “F”, “FW” and/or “NP” grades earned during such a semester shall be disregarded. Courses completed with a grade of “Pass” or “C” and above will continue to be used toward cumulative unit and grade point average considerations and will meet any degree major, general education, and/or transfer requirements.

4240.4 If another accredited college has acted to remove previous coursework from consideration in computing the grade point average such action shall be honored in terms of its policy. However, such units/semesters disregarded shall be deducted from the two semester maximum of coursework eligible to be disregarded in the Santa Clarita Community College District.

4240.5 Academic renewal actions are irreversible. Students should meet with a counselor before taking such an action.
4240.6 If the student is otherwise eligible for graduation, academic renewal may not be used to raise the grade point average in order to qualify for graduation with honors.

4240.7 This policy is adopted for use in the Santa Clarita Community College District. Other institutions may have adopted different policies. The transfer status of such action depends upon the policy of the college to which a student transfers.

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