



### ACADEMIC RENEWAL

When previously recorded college work is substandard (grades of “D”, “F”, or “No Pass”), and not reflective of the student’s present level of demonstrated ability, a student may petition the Director of Admissions and Records to have the substandard college work excluded from the grade point average calculation.

To petition, a student must meet the following conditions:

- Two academic years have elapsed since the substandard work was recorded, and
- The student has subsequently completed 15.0 units of college work at Mendocino College or at another accredited institution with a grade point average of 2.0 or higher.

The Mendocino College permanent academic record shall be annotated in such a manner that all course work remains legible. A maximum of 24.0 semester units may be excluded from the grade point average calculation. Specific courses from more than one semester or term may be chosen by the student for renewal. Academic renewal actions are irreversible.

Approval for academic renewal does not guarantee that special programs, the financial aid office or other institutions will honor such action. This determination will be made by the respective program, office or transfer institution.

Once an Associate Degree has been awarded, courses taken prior to the awarding of the degree cannot be excluded from the GPA calculation. Academic renewal cannot be used to raise the grade point average in order to qualify for graduation with honors unless the student goes through an appeal process, through the Academic Review Committee, and that committee grants the right to honors.

Reference: Title 5 Section 55046