AP 4225 COURSE REPETITION – NON REPEATABLE COURSES

References:
Education Code Section 76224;
Title 5 Sections 55024, 55040-55045, 55253, 56029 and 58161

Students are only allowed a maximum of three enrollments in a non-repeatable course in which the final grade has resulted in either a substandard grade of “D,” “F,” “FW,” “NP,” or “NC” or the “W” symbol as outlined below:

Non-Repeatable Courses (Substandard Grades or the “W” Symbol)
A student who receives a substandard grade or the “W” symbol on the first attempt of a non-repeatable course taken at College of Marin, may repeat that course one more time without a petition in an effort to successfully complete the course with a passing grade.

After receiving any combination of two substandard grades or the “W” symbol in the course, a student may submit a petition to the Office of Admissions and Records to repeat the course for a third enrollment providing there is verifiable documentation that extenuating circumstances occurred. Extenuating circumstances are verified cases of accidents, illnesses or other circumstances beyond the control of the student. For the petition to be reviewed the student is required to meet with a counselor to complete the petition and all supporting documents must be attached to the petition at the time of submission.

With an approved petition, the student must wait one week after the start of new and returning student registration to register for the course.

When a student repeats a class to alleviate substandard academic work, only the first two substandard grades and units shall be disregarded in the computation of the cumulative grade point average (GPA).

Courses granted Academic Renewal will not be included for course repetition limits. (See BP/AP 4240 titled Academic Renewal for specific requirements.)

Annotating the permanent academic record shall be done in a manner that all work remains legible, insuring a true and complete academic history.

Students may also petition to repeat under the following circumstances:

- Legally Mandated Training
Students may repeat a course any number of times where it is required for a student to meet a legally mandated training requirement as a condition of continued paid or volunteer employment, regardless of whether the student recorded substandard work.

- **Significant Change in Industry or Licensure Standards**
  Students may petition to repeat a course needed for employment or licensing because of a significant change in the industry or licensure standards. Students may take these courses any number of times.

- **Due to Extenuating Circumstances (Title 5 Section 55045)**
  Circumstances under which the student may repeat courses in which a C or better grade was earned. Such course repetition requires a finding that extenuating or extraordinary circumstances exist which justify such repetition. Extraordinary circumstances are those which would justify the District providing the student a refund. Extenuating circumstances are verified cases of accidents, illness, or other circumstances beyond the control of the student. With an approved petition, the student must wait one week after the start of new and returning student registration to register for the course and grades awarded for the courses repeated under these provisions are included when calculating a student’s grade point average.

- **Cooperative Work Experience (general work experience and occupational work experience)** - see AP 4227 titled Repeatable Courses

- **Students with Disabilities** - see AP 4227 titled Repeatable Courses

- **Due to Significant Lapse of Time** - See AP 4228 titled Course Repetition – Significant Lapse of Time

Nothing can conflict with Education Code Section 76224 pertaining to the finality of grades assigned by instructors, or with Title 5 or District procedures relating to retention and destruction of records.

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