



## **ACADEMIC RENEWAL POLICY FOR RETURNING STUDENT – EFFECTIVE FALL 2004**

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### **DEFINITION**

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Academic renewal is defined as one semester of UNLV course work disregarded in all calculations regarding academic standing, grade point average, and eligibility for graduation at UNLV. If summer courses are to be included in the work to be disregarded, then course work from all summer terms of the same calendar year shall count as one semester. Students granted academic renewal may not graduate with academic distinctions. Disregarded grades may be calculated in scholarship awards or financial aid considerations.

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### **CONDITIONS**

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A minimum of three consecutive years must have elapsed since the last semester of attendance at UNLV. Only semesters prior to the absence are eligible for academic renewal.

Academic renewal will be granted only once during a returning student's UNLV academic career and shall be applied only to the first undergraduate degree at UNLV.

Students must apply for Academic Renewal before they have completed 24 credits since returning to UNLV. (2/2/05)

There will be no reimbursement of fees for the disregarded semester of academic renewal.

Coursework disregarded under this policy may continue to be used for the calculation of your eligibility to receive financial aid and scholarship. Contact Student Financial

Services for clarification regarding financial aid eligibility questions.

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### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

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Approval of an Academic Renewal Policy Form does not constitute an acceptance into a UNLV College / School.

If conditions outlined on the Academic Renewal Policy Form are met, the student's permanent UNLV academic record shall be suitably annotated to indicate that work taken during the disregarded semester, even if satisfactory, will not apply toward graduation requirements. All course work will remain on the academic record, ensuring a true and accurate academic history.

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### **PROCESS**

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A completed Academic Renewal Policy Request Form must be completed, signed, and filed by the student with the Office of the Registrar and Admissions. The Academic Renewal Policy Request Form must be submitted prior to the completion of twenty-four credits after returning to UNLV.

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### **NOTE**

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The Academic Renewal Policy Request Form is the last page of this document.

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### **CONTACT**

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