

PETITION FOR ACADEMIC CLEMENCY

Undergraduate students who are readmitted or reinstated to UMBC after an absence of a least five calendar years, during which they were not enrolled in the University, may petition for academic clemency. Under academic clemency, you may request for up to sixteen credits to be removed from the calculation of your cumulative grade point average (GPA). Such credits and grades will remain on your transcript with a notation of "NA" (non-applicable). Credits for these courses will not be applicable toward graduation requirements.

The petition for clemency must be filed within the first semester of re-enrollment at UMBC. Courses approved for clemency may not be changed thereafter, even if you change your major or campus. Approval of the petition is neither automatic nor guaranteed.

The intent of the academic clemency policy is to permit students, who have a "poor record" in their previous enrollment, to exclude courses in which "poor grades" were earned. The following definitions apply with respect to academic clemency:

Poor record - The prior record must have been in a range which would place the student in danger of future academic action. Only students with less than a 2.00 cumulative grade point average are eligible for academic clemency. A single poor term would have to qualify under the non-applicable semester policy.

Poor grades - Non-passing grades such as "F", "F" on Pass/Fail, or "F" due to a converted incomplete, are the only grades which can be excluded.

In the final analysis, the decision to give clemency will be granted to insure that the prior record does not put you in academic jeopardy upon return. It will not be granted simply as a way to increase your grade point average.

Name _____ UMBC ID _____
 Address _____ City _____ Zip _____
 Phone _____ UMBC Email _____

Courses to be reviewed:

Prefix	Number	Course Title	Sem/Yr	Credits	Decision
Ex: VPA	325	Contemp Art in Process	Spring 1993	3	

Student Signature _____ Date _____

Advisor Signature _____ Date _____

Approved _____	Denied _____	Registrar's Office Signature: _____	Date: _____
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