

Procedure 5.2.4.2 Student Services: Grading System: Academic Forgiveness

TRI-COUNTY	STUDENT SERVICES	PROCEDURE
COMMUNITY COLLEGE	GRADING SYSTEM: ACADEMIC FORGIVENESS	5.2.4.2

Five Year Rule Policy: A freshman or sophomore with a grade point average below 2.0 who has not attended a community college or university for five or more calendar years and who is eligible for readmission is given the option of having the five year rule applied or not applied. If the five year rule is applied, all quality points from courses completed before the interruption are removed from the GPA calculation. No hours of credit will be allowed for courses in which a C or less grades were earned, although, at the discretion of the student’s academic advisor, they may be used to waive appropriate course requirements. The student’s cumulative GPA will be based on courses attempted after readmission. The earned hours will include all credits: (1) transferred from other institutions, (2) completed with a grade of C (2.0) or higher before the five year rule was applied, and (3) earned after the last five year rule was applied.

If the five year rule is not applied, the student will return with a cumulative GPA, credit hours and grades as if the interruption had not occurred. The quality point deficit of some students may be of such magnitude that the application for readmission from a student who has chosen not to apply the five rule may be rejected.

A student, having elected to have the five year rule applied or not applied, may not reverse the option later. Applications for the five year rule may be obtained from the Registrar’s Office and submitted to that office prior to the initial term of re-enrollment.

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