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**Amendment B to University Policy F08-2 Repetition of
Courses; Academic Renewal**

Legislative History:

On September 29, 2025, the Academic Senate approved Amendment B to University Policy F08-2 Repetition of Courses; Academic Renewal, presented by Senator Vogel for the Instruction and Student Affairs Committee.

Action by University President:

Date: October 14, 2025

Signed and approved by: 
**Cynthia Teniente-Matson, President,
San José State University**

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- Whereas, F08-2 specifies that “Grade Forgiveness” may be applied to a maximum of 16 units for undergraduate and post-baccalaureate students, which is in line with EO-1037; and
- Whereas, F08-2 further specifies that those 16 units of “Grade Forgiveness” may be applied to a maximum of 9 units of lower division coursework, and a maximum of 9 units of upper division coursework, which is more restrictive than EO-1037; and
- Whereas, Current functionality in PeopleSoft Campus Solutions does not support the ability to differentiate between upper and lower division coursework in identifying and counting up total units for “Grade Forgiveness”; and
- Whereas, There are solid reasons, beyond software functionality, with regard to pedagogy and student success, for the university to allow for more

flexibility around repetition of courses; and

Whereas, The policy is incorrect when it states that “Grade Forgiveness will be assigned automatically for all eligible courses as soon as a student registers” because grade forgiveness cannot be applied until there is an earned grade for the repeated course; therefore, be it

Resolved: That F08-2 be amended to align with EO-1037 and with PeopleSoft capabilities; and be it further

Resolved: That sections B.1. and B. 3. be updated as follows:

Approved: September 22, 2025

Vote: 12-0-0

Present: Akin, Currin-Percival, Dao, Fryer, Gambarin, Giampaolo, Johnson, Lee, Mathur, Meniketti, Sullivan-Green, Vogel

Absent: Brown, Chisholm, Leisenring, Masegian

Financial Impact: No financial impacts are anticipated.

Workload Impact: Undergraduate Education to make minor updates to the catalog.

- B. Course Repeats with “grade forgiveness.” (Formerly known as “Academic Renewal” at SJSU), Grade forgiveness is the circumstance in which the new grade replaces the former grade in terms of the calculation of GPA. The original grade remains on the transcript.¹
1. Undergraduate and post-baccalaureate students may repeat a maximum of 16 units total for grade forgiveness.
 2. Graduate (numbered 200-299) coursework is not eligible for grade forgiveness. Graduate students are not eligible for Grade Forgiveness, but may repeat up to 9 units of upper division or graduate coursework through grade averaging², according to Section I.C. (below).
 3. Grade Forgiveness will be assigned automatically for all eligible courses as soon as a student completes and earns a grade in the repeated course. Eligible courses include those courses with earned grades lower than a C (including WU, IC; but excluding NC). Once the pool of available units is insufficient for the next repeated course, unused units may be applied to a future course of lower unit value or simply left unused in the pool.

¹ Grade forgiveness is defined as the circumstance in which the new grade replaces the former grade in terms of the calculation of GPA.

² Grade averaging is defined as the circumstance in which both the new grade and the former grade(s) are included in terms of the calculation of GPA.