COURSE REPEAT

Students may repeat for credit any course they have failed. They may repeat a course already passed for additional credit if the course is identified as repeatable for credit in the course description (e.g., special topics, internship, individual investigation). Some academic units place a limit on the total number of credits that may be earned toward a program for a given repeatable course. For credit limits on specific courses, students should read the course descriptions or consult their advisor.

The university is not obligated to offer courses so that students can repeat them. In some instances, repeating courses could affect financial aid, scholarships or other assistance. Students should consult the appropriate office prior to registration.

Undergraduate Courses

Students may repeat the same or designated equivalent undergraduate course no more than two times (a maximum of three attempts per course). If students plan to repeat a course, they are encouraged to work with their advisor to identify resources for academic support. After the second repeat (third attempt), students will be restricted from registering for the course again. Withdrawal from a course is counted as an attempt.

Students may repeat undergraduate lower-division (00000, 10000 and 20000 levels) courses, and the university will use only the course with the highest grade in the calculation of the undergraduate overall and major grade point average (GPA), the requirements for the student’s program and cumulative credit totals. Lower-division course repeat with GPA recalculation is subject to the following provisions:

1. The course must be repeated at Kent State University.
2. The course may not be repeated for a pass/fail grade.
3. All grades will appear on the official transcript.
4. Recalculation of the students’ GPA will occur automatically at the end of the semester in which students complete the repeated course.
5. All eligible courses will be included in the recalculation.
6. Courses taken as part of a completed associate degree may be repeated under this policy.
7. All course repeats for recalculation must be completed before conferral of the student’s first bachelor’s degree from any college or university.
8. All grades for attempts of a course will be used in GPA calculation for determining institutional honors and class standing. All grades may be counted also for admission to or progression in specific programs, for admission to graduate programs or for admission to other institutions. These computations are independent of the overall GPA as it appears on the student transcript.
9. This policy does not apply to courses that are designated in the course description as repeatable for credit.
10. This policy was effective with the spring 2008 semester.

Students may repeat undergraduate upper-division (30000 and 40000 levels) courses to meet specific graduation requirements, and only the credit hours earned in the highest-graded attempt count toward graduation. All grades earned (passed or failed) are counted in the undergraduate overall and major GPA.

Graduate Courses

Students may repeat graduate (50000-80000 levels) courses with approval of the academic dean to meet specific graduation requirements, and only the credit hours earned in the highest-graded attempt count toward graduation. All grades earned (passed or failed) for graduate courses are counted in the graduate overall GPA.