

## II. 3. Repetition of Aviation Courses

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*OPR: Associate Chair, Department of Aviation*

### Explanation of Changes

- February 2025 – minor amendment:
  - Amended paragraph 1.c. to include all flight training (airplane and helicopter) as previously it only stated airplane flight courses.
- October 2024 – this revision has minor updates including:
  - Consolidated information found in various other policies regarding repetition of aviation courses.
  - Included language to clarify information regarding flight training should a course be retaken.
- October 2023 – this revision has three updates:
  - Updated references to the Assistant Chair of Flight Academics to the appropriate references as this position no longer exists.
  - Revised formatting to match other policy manuals.
  - Expanded guidance on eligibility requirement for students retaking class, specifically with regards to registering for the class to be retaken to match language in policy manual II.5 Academic Flight Course Policy – Manned Aircraft Flight Courses.

### 1. Information regarding retaking an aviation course – general.

- a. After a student has attempted an aviation class but needs to retake the class due to substandard performance, receiving an F in accordance with the 12-calendar policy for flight courses, or to improve a grade of “C” or higher, registering in a class is subject to seat availability in the classroom, class size limitations, and flight instructor and aircraft availability as applicable.
- b. If the student is eligible to register for class, the student must register for a section taught by a different academic instructor or faculty member than the previous attempt. Exceptions to this policy are subject to approval by the individual faculty member teaching the class.
- c. For students retaking flight courses or flight labs, all flight lessons that were previously completed will be carried forward into the subsequent semester(s)/following attempts.

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## **2. Attempting a course for a third time.**

- a. After a student has attempted an aviation class for a second time, defined as either a withdrawal after the last day to add or failure to achieve an acceptable grade, the student must petition the Aviation Department Faculty in order to remain enrolled in the course. The student shall reach out to the Assistant Chair of General Academics to start this process. Flight course students will be placed on Flight Hold until this petition process is completed.
- b. If the Aviation Department faculty approves the request to take a course for the third time, the student will be required to sign a statement acknowledging that the third attempt will be the final attempt allowed. This statement will be signed by the student and the Assistant Chair of Academics.
- c. If the course is required for a degree in aviation and the student is unsuccessful in completing the class with a grade of "C" or higher, the student will not be allowed to continue in that degree or any other degree requiring that course.

## **3. Repeating a course to improve a grade of "C."**

- a. In addition to University policies or requirements, a student may be allowed to repeat a course to improve a grade of "C" or higher provided the following requirements are met:
  1. The attempt to improve a flight course grade is made in the semester immediately following the semester when the first attempt grade was posted or the next semester the student is enrolled. An exception to this would be for a student whose first attempt was during the spring semester; if a second attempt is approved, the student would be allowed to attempt the course during the fall semester. In addition, if the flight course is not offered in the semester immediately following the first attempt, then the course must be taken the next semester in which the course is offered and the student is enrolled.
  2. For both flight and non-flight courses, the student must complete a petition to repeat the course to improve the grade and the petition must be approved by the Aviation Department faculty.
  3. The student will only be allowed to enroll in the class provided the requirements of paragraph 1 of this section are met and all other prerequisites are met.
  4. Students are required to comply with all class rules, including attendance, participation and class assignments. Alternate assignments and/or additional course work may be assigned.

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