Courses Designated as Repeatable

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Under certain circumstances, courses may be designated as repeatable. When a course is repeated the grade received each time shall be included for purposes of calculating the student’s grade point average.

The following types of courses may be designated as repeatable and are identified as such in the course catalog:

- Courses for which repetition is required to meet the major requirements of CSU or UC for completion of a bachelor’s degree,
- intercollegiate athletics courses; and
- intercollegiate academic or vocational competition courses.

Students are allowed to repeat these courses up to three times for a total of four enrollments. This enrollment limitation applies even if the student receives a substandard grade or “W” during one or more of the enrollments in such a course, or the student petitions for repetition due to extenuating circumstances (as defined in Title 5, Section 55045).

Courses formerly designated as repeatable “activity” courses are now defined as non-repeatable “active participatory courses.” These courses have individual study or group assignments as the basic means by which learning objectives are obtained. Active participatory courses in physical education, visual arts, and performing arts that are related in content include groups of distinct courses with similar primary educational activities that have been separated into skill levels or variations and are separated with different student learning objectives or outcomes for each level or variation.

See Board Policy 4225 and Administrative Procedures 4225, 4228, 4229.