

SCHOLARSHIPS AND FINANCIAL AID

Repeat Course Policy for Financial Aid

Effective July 1, 2011, due to changes in federal regulations, a student may receive federal financial aid ([Title IV Funds](#)) for a repeated course only once if the course was previously passed (credit has been received).

Example 1

Don takes ART 2231 in the Fall 2011 semester. He receives a D grade and 3 credits for the course. He decides to retake the course in the Spring 2012 semester in order to improve his grade and GPA. However, for his repeat class he receives an F grade and no credits. In the Fall 2012, he decides to retake the course for a third time. The chart below displays his financial aid eligibility.

Semester	Course	Grade/Credits	Financial Aid Eligibility
Fall 2011	ART 2231	D- 3 credits received	Eligible
Spring 2012	ART 2231	F- no credit received	Eligible
Fall 2012	ART 2231	Irrelevant	Not Eligible
A student may only receive financial aid for one repeat of a course for which credit has been previously received.			The student has already received aid for a previously passed course.

Example 2

Don takes ART 2231 in the Fall 2011 semester. He receives an F grade and no credit for the course. He decides to retake the course in the Spring 2012 semester. For his repeat class he receives another F and no credit. In the Fall 2012, he decides to retake the course for a third time. He receives a D grade and three credits for the course. Don can repeat ART 2231 and receive financial aid for the previously passed course.

Semester	Course	Grade/Credits	Financial Aid Eligibility
Fall 2011	ART 2231	F - no credit received	Eligible
Spring 2012	ART 2231	F - no credit received	Eligible
Fall 2012	ART 2231	D - 3 credits received	Eligible

Important

When counting credits to determine aid eligibility for the semester, some repeated classes will be **excluded** from the financial aid eligible credit count. This may mean less Pell Grant if the eligible credits are less than 12 credits or no subsidized/unsubsidized loans if the financial aid eligible credits are less than 6 credits for undergraduate students (less than 5 for graduate students).

Repeated credits that are determined to be ineligible for financial aid will also impact eligibility for scholarships and work-study positions. Students will receive notification if they are aid applicants and attempt to repeat coursework beyond the limits.

Students must also adhere to the [University of Houston Course Repeat Policy](#).

The Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid does not determine if a student may repeat a class, only whether a student may be eligible for financial aid for a repeat class. For more information on your academic program's policy regarding repeat coursework, contact your academic advisor. In addition, every repeated course affects [Satisfactory Academic Progress](#) calculations; all repeated courses are counted as attempted credits.