NEW “ACADEMIC FORGIVENESS” OR “FRESH START” POLICY

A. Any undergraduate student who has been separated from The Citadel for 48 or more consecutive months is eligible to apply for Academic Forgiveness.

B. Upon readmission, a student seeking to apply for Academic Forgiveness must first complete 24 hours at The Citadel with a Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.0 or higher on those 24 hours in order to apply for Academic Forgiveness.

C. To apply for Academic Forgiveness, a readmitted student who has met the minimum GPA requirement on 24 hours must make a formal written request for an academic “fresh start” and must meet in person with the Associate Provost for Academic Affairs to discuss that application.

D. If a student is granted Academic Forgiveness, then all previous coursework completed at The Citadel will be treated as transfer credit (i.e., as pass/fail coursework) for the purpose of computing the student’s cumulative Citadel GPA; in addition, courses which the student previously passed at The Citadel with a grade of “D” will continue to be counted in the student’s total earned hours and will not have to be repeated. All previous grades will remain on the student’s permanent record, but they will not be computed in the student’s GPA. The transcript will contain this notation: “Academic Forgiveness was granted as of (date of readmission); grades earned at The Citadel prior to this date are not included in this student’s GPA calculation.” Students who have been granted Academic Forgiveness will not be eligible to receive graduation honors (e.g., cum laude, etc.).

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