

Fresh Start Policy/Application

Purpose: A student who has been separated from the university for a minimum of two calendar years (24 consecutive months) and has reenrolled may apply for a Fresh Start from the appropriate college dean or designee. Having reviewed the prior and intervening factors for evidence of potential for improved academic success, the college dean or designee may implement this policy.

Academic Standards: A student reenrolled under this policy must meet current degree requirements and will be reviewed under current academic standards requirements applicable at the time of reenrollment. A student reenrolled under this policy waives the right to exercise the Canceled Semester Policy.

Transcript Effects: All credits and grades for IUP course work taken before reenrollment under this policy shall remain on the transcript. Upon reenrollment, a new cumulative (GPA) is established based on credits and grades earned from the date of reenrollment. Previously accepted transfer credits and IUP courses in which grades of “C” or better were earned before reenrollment will be reviewed in terms of appropriateness (applicability, timeliness) to the new degree. Those courses, approved by the college dean or designee, will be counted as credits earned and applied toward graduation in the manner of transfer credits.

Financial Aid Effects: Students reenrolled under the Fresh Start Program must still meet the financial aid qualitative and quantitative SAP requirements (using all previously enrolled semester data). Federal regulations do not permit the financial aid office staff to remove or ignore any academic statistics.

Constraints. This policy may be applied only once. For a first bachelor’s degree, a minimum of 30 credits must be completed at IUP after a student returns to IUP under this policy. For a first associate degree, a minimum of 15 credits must be completed at IUP after a student returns to IUP under this policy. A student who wishes to enter a major in a college other than the one from which they were dismissed will apply to the original college, which will forward the application and related records to the new college for action.

PLEASE NOTE: Students must complete their returning semester classes before the Fresh Start Policy will take effect and be applied to their academic record.

Directions

1. Complete the reverse side of this form
2. Take to the office of the dean of your major for their signature.
3. Once signed, return to:
Office of the Registrar
IUP, Clark Hall
1090 South Drive
Indiana, PA 15705-1099



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Read the information on reverse side carefully before completing this form.

Name _____ Last 4 digits of SSN: _____
Last First MI/Maiden
Banner ID @ _____

College _____ Major _____

Permanent Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Telephone Number _____

Last semester/session in attendance at IUP: Fall Winter Spring Summer Year _____

Semester returning for Fresh Start: Fall Winter Spring Summer Year _____

Attention APPLICANT:

Financial Aid: Please note that per federal regulations, financial aid is required to consider all previous academic work, regardless of whether a fresh start has been granted. If you are granted a fresh start, this does not guarantee that you will be eligible for financial aid. Please contact the financial aid office for questions/concerns regarding your financial aid status at 724-357-2218 or financial-aid@iup.edu.

Please be sure that you have discussed the impact of this policy with your advisor, department chairperson, or dean before affixing your signature. Your signature is affirmation that you understand and agree to all aspects of this policy.

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

Attention--Dean of Student's College:

The above-named student is in the process of being readmitted to IUP, your signature indicates that their Fresh Start Application has been approved. Please attach a printout of the student's coursework indicating all applicable coursework.

Signature of Dean/Designee _____ Date _____