

REPEAT COURSEWORK

The U.S. Department of Education has instituted Program Integrity rules that may impact the receipt of financial aid funds for students who repeat (retake) coursework, including the Federal Pell Grant, Federal Supplemental Education Opportunity Grant (FSEOG), and Direct Loans

- A student may receive federal aid when repeating a course that was previously failed, regardless of the number of times the course was attempted and failed.
- A student may receive federal aid to repeat a previously passed course one additional time.
- Once a student has completed any course twice, and received at least one passing grade, he/she is no longer eligible to receive federal aid for that course.
- If a student retakes a course that is not federal aid eligible, a recalculation of aid is done to exclude the credits for the repeated course.
- This rule applies whether the student received federal aid for earlier enrollments in the course.
- Transfer coursework is also included.

For purposes of receiving Title IV aid to pay for repeated coursework, the Department of Education considers a 'D' to be a passing grade, regardless of institutional policy or program of study. Additionally, all courses previously taken, even if financial aid was not used, are compared against the current semester to determine if it is a repeated class and whether it qualifies for financial aid. Courses from which a student withdraws are not considered repeated coursework.

Examples of repeated course work that will count towards financial aid eligibility:

ENGL 1101			
Term	Eligible for Aid?	Reason	Grade
Fall 2023	Yes	First Attempt	W
Spring 2024	Yes	1 ST Repeat – Not Passed	F
Summer 2024	Yes	2 ND Repeat – Not Passed	F
Fall 2024	Yes	3 rd Repeat- Not Passed	F
Fall 2025	Yes	Second Attempt	C

ENGL 1101			
Term	Eligible for Aid?	Reason	Grade
Fall 2023	Yes	First Attempt	W
Spring 2024	Yes	First Repeat Student Withdrew from Fall '23 Course	F
Summer 2024	Yes	Second Repeat Student Failed Spring '24 Course	D
Fall 2024	No	Third Repeat Student Earned a Passing Grade Summer 2024	F

Example of repeated coursework that will not count towards financial aid eligibility:

ENGL 1101			
Term	Eligible for Aid?	Reason	Grade
Fall 2023	Yes	First Attempt	D
Spring 2024	Yes	1 ST Repeat of Passed Course Taken Fall 2023	D
Summer 2024	No	2 ND Repeat of Passed Course Taken Fall 2023	B

Important reminders for all students who repeat coursework:

- The Office of Financial aid does not determine if a student may repeat a class. We are only responsible for determining if the repeated course is eligible for financial aid. For information on academic program policies and program grade requirements, contact Academic Advising.
- Financial aid packages will be adjusted when repeated coursework is determined to be non-aid eligible. Students will be notified via their Charter Oak email account when adjustments are made. Students will be responsible for payment on all coursework that is not aid eligible.
- All Repeated coursework (whether passed, failed, or withdrawn from) has an impact on satisfactory academic progress calculations. The College's Financial Aid [Satisfactory Academic Progress policy](#) is available for more information.
- Federal regulations specify that students may not receive aid for repeating courses previously passed twice, even if the student is required to retake those courses as part of their program.
- Non-federal student aid such as the HOPE Scholarship, Zell Miller Scholarship, Zell Miller Grant, HOPE Grant, and HOPE Career Grant, SCTC and outside scholarships, etc. are not subject to the federal regulations governing repeated coursework.