

Whereas: Course Forgiveness has been strongly advocated by the student government at UCCS;

Whereas: Course Forgiveness offers reasonable and helpful recourse for undergraduate students at UCCS to re-take selected classes and replace poor grades with better ones;

Whereas: Many peer institutions have established Course Forgiveness policies;

Be it resolved:

The University of Colorado Colorado Springs should initiate a pilot Course Forgiveness policy for undergraduate students that is to be reviewed in three years, with the following restrictions:

- Initiation of the program will be Fall 2013. Only undergraduate courses taken at UCCS from this point forward will be eligible for Course Forgiveness consideration;
- Course Forgiveness must occur within one year of taking the original course;
- Undergraduate students retaking classes under Course Forgiveness must declare their intention of applying Course Forgiveness by the census date at the beginning of the semester in which they are retaking the course;
- An undergraduate student may use Course Forgiveness for no more than two courses during his or her tenure as a UCCS student;
- Undergraduate students may apply Course Forgiveness to a course only one time;
- Once a student has declared his or her intention to use Course Forgiveness in a specific course, that decision is irrevocable (a “W” in the course on the second attempt does not replace the previous grade; however, the attempt does count as one of the two courses permissible for Course Forgiveness and as the single attempt allowed for that course);
- Both grades will appear on the undergraduate student’s final transcript, with the grade earned during second attempt calculated in the cumulative GPA;

- Course Forgiveness cannot be used in the GPA calculations for University Honors;
and
- Course Forgiveness shall not be allowed for any course where the student either admitted to or was found guilty of violation of the UCCS Academic Honesty Policy.