Academic Policies

An education from Towson University includes a broad liberal arts base and a strong knowledge of one or more major fields of study. To ensure that the Towson degree continues to have weight and meaning, and that it signifies student work meeting or exceeding a particular level of excellence, the university insists that certain standards and policies apply to all undergraduate students. These policies are published every year in this catalog, and any revisions are effective as of the date of the catalog’s publication (unless otherwise stated).

The Academic Standards Committee, comprising faculty, administrators and students, meets regularly to formulate policy and to review appeals from students asking for exceptions to policies.

Students who wish an exception must appeal in writing to the Academic Standards Committee, c/o the Registrar’s Office. Appeals must be written by students. Letters received from third parties will be considered only as support of students’ appeals. Letters of appeal should be as brief as possible, and must include all pertinent academic information, including, when appropriate, supporting documentation. Appeals should include the student’s name, address and student ID number. All appeals receive a written or emailed response from the committee.

The following pages explain the policies and regulations that govern academic standards at Towson:

- Definitions of Terms (http://catalog.towson.edu/archives/2014-2015/undergraduate/academic-policies/definitions-terms)
- Enrollment and Registration (http://catalog.towson.edu/archives/2014-2015/undergraduate/academic-policies/enrollment-registration)
- Class Standing (http://catalog.towson.edu/archives/2014-2015/undergraduate/academic-policies/class-standing)
- Repeating Courses (http://catalog.towson.edu/archives/2014-2015/undergraduate/academic-policies/repeating-courses)
- Dean’s List (http://catalog.towson.edu/archives/2014-2015/undergraduate/academic-policies/deans-list)
- Good Standing and Satisfactory Academic Progress (http://catalog.towson.edu/archives/2014-2015/undergraduate/academic-policies/good-standing-satisfactory-academic-progress)
- Transferring Work to Towson (http://catalog.towson.edu/archives/2014-2015/undergraduate/academic-policies/transferring-work-to-towson)