

## RETAKING OF COURSES & COURSE EQUIVALENTS

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1. A failed University of Saskatchewan course may be retaken. If a mark between 50% and 59% has been received in a course, College policy allows the course to be retaken **once**. Only the higher University of Saskatchewan mark will be used in the average.
2. Once an upper-level course has been passed, no prerequisite course may be retaken for a higher mark. For example, BIOL 120.3 and 121.3 may not be retaken if BIOL 226.3 (or its equivalent at another university) has already been successfully completed.
3. A passed course may be retaken concurrently with a course for which it is a prerequisite. For example, having passed CHEM 112.3 with a mark between 50% and 59%, CHEM 112.3 could be retaken in the same term as CHEM 115.3 or 250.3.
4. Marks from other universities cannot be used to erase a University of Saskatchewan mark. For example, a failing grade of 39% received for BIOL 120.3 and 121.3 at the University of Saskatchewan, cannot be replaced with an equivalent course at another university which achieves a grade of 75%. The transfer course will be credited in the program with a "P" (Pass), but the 75% will not be included in the average. Only the failed 39% from the University of Saskatchewan course will be included in the average.
5. Grades received for all attempts at a course will remain on the transcript.
6. For admission, promotion and graduation purposes, other colleges may follow different rules for calculation of the average. For example, other colleges may use only the first grade received or they may use all grades received in a course.
7. Grades for courses transferred from other universities are not used in the calculation of averages to determine promotion and graduation eligibility. Transfer marks are used in the average for admission to an Honours program. A course for which transfer credit has been received cannot be retaken for credit or to raise the average; however, a failed transfer course may be retaken at the University of Saskatchewan.

### **Retake Equivalencies Accepted by Arts & Science**

As a general rule, the **exact same course** must be retaken in order to replace a lower mark. Example: Six credit units from ENG 111.3, 112.3, 113.3, 114.3 may **NOT** be taken to replace a grade of 59% or less in ENG 110.6.

Courses accepted as similar in programs are considered program substitutions; such courses are not usually considered equivalencies in retakes. For example, PSY 233.3 and STAT 244.3 are considered similar in statistics content, but a mark of 59% or less in STAT 244.3 cannot be replaced by taking PSY 233.3.

### **There are two exceptions to this rule:**

1. In some circumstances, a more challenging course can replace a failure when both courses are taught by the same department. For example, a grade of 59% or less in MATH 112.3 may be replaced with a higher grade in MATH 116.3. However, a failure in MATH 116.3 cannot be replaced with a pass in MATH 112.3.
2. Some Arts & Science departments teach courses in academic subjects for professional colleges and for Arts & Science students. In cases where the content of the professional college's course is substantially equivalent to an Arts & Science course, the professional college course may replace the Arts & Science course. (This applies particularly to courses in the College of Engineering.)

The retake equivalents based on these exceptions are as follows:

**First Course Taken**

COMM 393.3  
 CMPT 122.3 or 116.3  
 CMPT 123.3 or 117.3  
 EE 310.3  
 GEOE 118.3  
 GEOL 108.3  
 GEOL 109.3  
 MATH 104.3 (101.3)  
 MATH 112.3  
 MATH 123.3  
 MATH 124.3  
 MATH 125.3  
 MATH 223.3  
 MATH 224.3  
 MATH 264.3  
 STAT 244.3

**Arts & Science Retake Option**

CMPT 393.3  
 CMPT 111.3  
 CMPT 115.3  
 CMPT 320.3  
 GEOL 121.3  
 GEOL 121.3  
 GEOL 122.3  
 MATH 110.3  
 MATH 116.3  
 MATH 110.3  
 MATH 116.3  
 MATH 110.3  
 MATH 225.3 or MATH 276.3  
 MATH 226.3 or MATH 238.3  
 MATH 266.3  
 STAT 245.3

To replace any other failed course, the same course must be retaken. For example, STAT 245.3 cannot replace PLSC 314.3.

**Retakes for Courses No Longer Taught**

Below are some common examples. Contact the Undergraduate Office for information on courses that do not appear on this list.

BIOC 203.6	BIOC 200.3 & 211.3, <u>or</u> , if 212.3 is taken, BIOC 200.3 & 212.3. Credit can be received for BIOC 200, 211 & 212.	GEOG* 101.3 <b>or</b> 102.3 GEOG* 111.3 <b>or</b> 112.3 GEOG 113.3 GEOG 114.3 GEOG 210.3 GEOG 215.3 GEOG 246.3 NATST 100.3 NATST 110.6 PHIL 105.3 PHYS 111.6 PHYS 121.6 POLS 110.6 SOC 110.6	GEOG 120.3 or 125.3 GEOG 120.3 GEOG 130.3 GEOG 130.3 GEOG 280.3 GEOG 280.3 GEOG 341.3 NS 106.3 NS 105.3 & 106.3 PHIL 140.3 PHYS 115.3 & 117.3 PHYS 115.3 & 125.3 POLS 111.3 & 112.3 SOC 111.3 & 112.3
CHEM 111.3	CHEM 112.3		
CHEM 251.3	CHEM 250.3		
CMPT 220.3	CMPT 320.3		
CMPT 321.3	CMPT 420.3		
CMPT 361.3	CMPT 461.3		
CMPT 374.3	CMPT 355.3		
CMPT 416.3	CMPT 463.3		
CMPT 422.3	CMPT 332.3		
CMPT 424.3	CMPT 434.3		
CMPT 426.3	CMPT 436.3		
CMPT 429.3	CMPT 442.3		
CMPT 460.3	CMPT 385.3		
CMPT 490.3	CMPT 408.3		

\*Only **one of** GEOG 101, 102, 111 or 112 may be retaken.