

## Motion on the Good Standing Requirement for Admissions

### Motion:

#### *Additions Deletions*

1. Section 1115, General Admissions Policy, of the Undergraduate Catalog is modified as follows:

~~Georgia State University welcomes applications from all qualified students regardless of race, sex, religion, disability, or cultural background. Admission is based on a number of factors, depending upon level of entry and previous educational experience. Admission into and placement within Georgia State will be determined by the Office of Undergraduate Admissions using the criteria approved by the University Senate. Applicants who have been educated outside the United States should consult Section 1165. The admission requirements have been developed in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia and have evolved from studies of student performance at Georgia State. These studies have identified factors and criteria that indicate a reasonable chance of successful completion of academic work at Georgia State. Admission decisions are based on a previous record of satisfactory academic performance, test scores, personal qualities and circumstances, character, and good conduct. Admission is a selective process and meeting minimum requirements does not guarantee acceptance. A student has the right to appeal the admission decision as provided in the bylaws of the Board of Regents.~~

~~Any applications received after the stated deadline for the term of application will be processed for the next available term and the application fee will not be refunded. Any application received without a designated term will be processed for the next available term and the application fee will not be refunded. Approval for admission is valid only for the term specified at the time of acceptance and does not imply that approval will be granted for a term not specified. The application will be valid for 3 terms (the initial term plus 2 additional terms). Students wishing to be considered for a subsequent term must submit a reactivation form ([www.gsu.edu/admissions/28617.html](http://www.gsu.edu/admissions/28617.html)) and any required credentials by the application deadline date for that particular term.~~

~~If an applicant (a) is on academic probation, suspension, exclusion, or any other type of academic warning at any previously attended institution, (b) is ineligible to enroll at any previously attended institution, (c) is currently charged with, or has been found guilty of, any violation of academic honesty, honor code, or conduct regulations of a previously attended institution, (d) left a previous institution while there were pending charges of any violation of academic honesty, honor code, or conduct regulations, (e) is currently charged with or has been found guilty of any violation of a federal, state or municipal law, regulation or ordinance other than minor traffic violations, including offenses for which any type of first offender status has been granted, (f) has ever entered a plea of guilty, no contest, nolo contendere, or an Alford plea, or has otherwise accepted responsibility for the commission of a crime, (g) has received any type of discharge from military service other than an honorable discharge, then the applicant's case will be reviewed to insure that the applicant meets the satisfactory academic performance, good~~

~~character, and good conduct requirements noted above. If, after a letter of acceptance has been issued, information comes to light that shows that an applicant did not meet all admission requirements or that an applicant's application contained omissions or misrepresentations, the applicant's offer of admission will be automatically revoked. If this information comes to light after the student has enrolled, the applicant's enrollment at Georgia State will automatically be terminated and earned credit may be revoked.~~

*Georgia State University welcomes applications from all qualified individuals regardless of race, color, sex, religion, creed, age, sexual orientation, gender, disability, or national origin. Admission is based on a number of factors, depending upon level of entry and previous educational experience. Admission and placement decisions are made by the Office of Undergraduate Admissions using criteria approved by the University Senate and developed in accordance with policies of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia. Admission decisions are based on factors such as, but not limited to, an applicant's academic record, test scores, circumstances, good conduct and character. Applications are reviewed and considered in the context of the overall applicant pool for the respective term. **Admission is a competitive, selective process and meeting minimum requirements does not guarantee acceptance.***

*Applications received after the deadline for the term of application or received without a designated term will be processed for the next available term. The application fee is non-refundable. Completed applications submitted to the university are valid for 3 terms (the next available term plus the 2 consecutive terms that follow). To be considered during the second or third consecutive term after submitting an application, applicants need only submit a reactivation form, together with any required credentials, by the application deadline date for that particular term. An offer of admission by the university is valid only for the term specified by the university at the time of acceptance and does not constitute approval for any term not so specified.*

*Applicants with a criminal and/or disciplinary history who are determined to be otherwise admissible for a respective term based on their academic record and other credentials are required to complete a disciplinary/criminal review process before an admission decision is made by the university.\* Instructions for completing that review process are communicated to the applicant after the university has determined that the applicant is otherwise admissible for that term.*

*Absent extenuating circumstances, good disciplinary standing at previously attended colleges and universities is a condition of admission for all applicants. For purposes of admission, good disciplinary standing means that the applicant has no pending disciplinary charges, outstanding disciplinary sanctions or disciplinary issues that would prevent the applicant from re-enrolling at the previously attended institution.*

*Omissions or misrepresentations on an application for admission are grounds for automatically invalidating consideration by, acceptance to and continuation at Georgia State. Applicants have a duty to update their application with Georgia State when information changes after application submission.*

*All materials submitted as part of an application for admission become and remain the property of the university and will not be returned to the applicant, duplicated, or transferred to another institution.*

*Admission to Georgia State University or reentry approval does not imply admission to a specific major or professional program.*

*\*Applicants are required to answer the following background questions on the Georgia State University admissions application: (1) Are you ineligible to enroll at any previously attended institution? (2) Are you currently on or have you even been placed on academic probation, suspension, exclusion or any other type of academic warning at any previously attended institution? (3) Are you currently charged with, or have been found guilty of, any violation of academic honesty, honor code, or conduct regulations of a previously attended institution?(4) Have you left a previous institution while there were pending charges of any violation of academic honest, honor code, or conduct regulation? (5) Are you currently charged with, or have been found guilty of, any violation of a federal, state, or municipal law, regulation or ordinance other than minor traffic violations, including offenses for which any type of first offender status have been granted? (6) Have you ever entered a plea of guilty, no contest, nolo contendere, an Alford plea, or otherwise accepted responsibility for the commission of a crime? and (7) Have you received any type of discharge from military service other than an honorable discharge?*

2. The following paragraph is added to Section 1100 of the Graduate Catalog

*Absent extenuating circumstances, good disciplinary standing at previously attended colleges and universities is a condition of admission for all applicants. For purposes of admission, good disciplinary standing shall mean that the applicant has no pending disciplinary charges, outstanding disciplinary sanctions or disciplinary issues that would prevent the applicant from re-enrolling at the previously attended institution.*

**Rationale:**

This good disciplinary standing requirement already exists for transfer students and the same reasons for having this requirement applies to all applicants. Making good disciplinary standing an admission requirement for all applicants will give the university the ability to deny or invalidate (depending on when the situation is discovered, pre or post admission) the admission of applicants/students who have been removed from other institutions for conduct reasons or have withdrawn to avoid being held responsible for a disciplinary violation (e.g., prior GSU case where we learned after admission that a student withdrew from prior college before completion of a student judicial matter regarding 40+ counts of sexual misconduct). This would not impact existing practices regarding academic standing requirements.

The remainder of the changes are merely editorial.