

MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY-BOZEMAN
GRADUATION AND ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENT COMMITTEE

NAME _____		GID# _____	
CURRICULUM _____		DEGREE CATALOG _____	
ADDRESS _____	_____	_____	PHONE _____
Street	City	State	ZIP

GARC'S Action _____ Date _____

RETURN THIS COMPLETED FORM WITH ALL SIGNATURES TO: OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR, 101 MONTANA HALL.
RESULTS ARE DISTRIBUTED TO: Student AND Student's Department

~Petition for Fresh Start~

Please provide the following information:

1. Date of prior enrollment as a student at Montana State University-Bozeman. _____
2. Cumulative GPA of prior academic work at Montana State University-Bozeman _____
3. Date of re-entry as a student at Montana State University-Bozeman _____
4. Number of credits completed since re-entering Montana State University-Bozeman: _____
5. Cumulative GPA for work since re-entering Montana State University-Bozeman: _____
6. Previous and/or Maiden Name(s): _____

I understand and agree that when my new Fresh Start GPA begins all the previous grades and credits I have petitioned as Montana State University-Bozeman will be excluded and cannot be used, ever, for any purpose.

Student: _____
Signature _____ Date _____

Advisor: _____
Signature _____ Date _____

Associate/Assistant Dean: _____
Signature _____ Date _____

~Fresh Start Policy~

1. A former Montana State University-Bozeman Undergraduate who returns to the university after a **minimum** absence of five years will have the opportunity to petition to begin a new cumulative – “Fresh Start” – Grade Point Average (GPA).
2. After returning to Montana State University-Bozeman, a student must complete 30 new credits of academic study with a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 for the new course work before petitioning for a Fresh Start GPA.
3. A student who is eligible for a Fresh Start GPA must petition for a new cumulative GPA during the semester following the one in which the requirements of statement #2 have been met.
4. A student may begin a Fresh Start GPA only once.
5. Student petitions will be considered on a case –by-case basis by the Graduation and Admission Requirements Committee – “GARC.” The decisions of GARC are final.
6. When the Fresh Start GPA is started, all previous grades and credits earned in the term at Montana State University-Bozeman will be excluded; a student may not select particular grades and credits to exclude from a term while retaining others. Only Montana State University grades and credits will be excluded.
7. The Fresh Start GPA begins with the student’s first semester of re-enrollment. The student’s transcript will indicate where Fresh Start Begins. The old grades will remain on the transcript; however they may not be used to fulfill any university requirements.
8. Students wishing to petition for a Fresh Start GPA should contact the Registrar’s Office to initiate the process.