



Resolution 24-06

Seizing Second Chances

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Whereas: The University of Texas at Arlington's 2023-2024 Catalog states that "upon receiving a grade of D or F in a 1000 or 2000 course at UT Arlington, students subject to the Grade Forgiveness policy may elect to have the grade forgiven;" and

Whereas: The same catalog also determined that "a student may not use credit by exam to receive credit for a course once a student has received a grade for that course even if it has been omitted;" and

Whereas: The Division of Student Success says that "Credit by examination aims to give students the opportunity to receive credit by examination in courses within the regular curricular offerings of the University where proficiency may be practically and validly determined;" and

Whereas: To successfully pass a credit by exam, a student must demonstrate sufficient proficiency and understanding equivalent to what would have been achieved through traditional class attendance and coursework completion. This proficiency can be acquired through diligent study and preparation leading up to the exam, regardless of prior failure, as well as by utilizing the knowledge and skills acquired during the course itself.; and

Be It Therefore
Resolved That: The University revise its policy to permit credit by exam as a formal substitution for a failing grade of equivalent credit, adopting a Pass/Fail format upon successful application and approval for grade forgiveness.