The purpose of this policy is to establish an effective way to encourage capable, mature students to be admitted to Indiana University South Bend when they have been academically unsuccessful during an earlier attempt at higher education at Indiana University. The Academic Renewal option is available to IUSB College of Liberal Arts and Sciences students under the following conditions.

Academic Renewal can be employed by the student only once toward the first undergraduate degree.

The grade point average for the period for which renewal is sought must be lower than 2.0.

The student has not registered for courses at any Indiana University campus for at least three calendar years after the period for which Academic Renewal is requested.

The policy will be applied after a probationary period of at least 12 credit hours with a C+ grade point average in all courses attempted. The academic renewal probationary period cannot extend beyond the semester in which the student completes their 21st credit hour. The academic renewal probationary period is in full terms.

The student must petition the Student Probation, Dismissal, and Readmission Committee for the Academic Renewal option in writing.

If Academic Renewal is granted, then the student’s prior work at Indiana University will be treated in the same way as transfer courses with respect to credit toward graduation and cumulative grade point average for graduation. Specifically, only courses taken after returning to Indiana University will be used in calculating the graduation GPA, and Academic Renewal period courses with grades of C- or lower may not be used to fulfill graduation requirements. The student must complete a minimum of 30 credit hours (including the probationary period) on the IUSB campus in order to meet the graduation residency requirement, and the student must complete at least 60 IU hours after resuming college to be eligible for graduation with distinction.

The Academic Renewal policy is inapplicable to any grades issued owing to academic dishonesty.

The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Academic Renewal Policy takes effect in the Fall Semester 2001.