

ACADEMIC FRESH START

This program is offered to allow a student who may have done poorly in a previous attempt at college to gain a “fresh start.” In order to qualify for Academic Fresh Start, a student must meet the following criteria:

- Student has not been enrolled at PTC for a period of at least three years
- Student previously completed at least 12 credit hours (excluding withdrawals) with a cumulative GPA of less than 2.0
- Student must complete the first term of re-enrollment with a term GPA of 2.0 or better in a minimum of 6 credit hours (excluding developmental courses) before the previous grades will be removed from the GPA calculation
- Student must apply for Academic Fresh Start during the first two terms of re-enrollment and may only apply once

Under this program, all Piedmont Technical College credits earned prior to the granting of Academic Fresh Start will be eliminated from the computation of the student’s grade point average and may never be used toward graduation at Piedmont Technical College. Any courses used previously toward the completion of a certificate, diploma or degree cannot be removed from the GPA. Students should see the Registrar for more details about this program.

For financial assistance, the federal government requires a student’s academic progress to be tracked from the first date of enrollment, whether or not financial aid was received. Academic Fresh Start will not change this policy or alter the student’s course completion rate. Please refer to the Standards of Satisfactory Academic Progress (<https://catalog.ptc.edu/student-handbook/financial-information/satisfactory-academic-progress/>) for further information.