

**TO:** Larry Williams, Chair  
Undergraduate Committee

**FROM:** Christina Gola  
Academic Policies and Procedures Subcommittee

**SUBJECT:** UC 12256 13S: NSM policy regarding students on a first academic suspension

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The Academic Policies and Procedures Subcommittee met on February 27, 2013 to consider a proposal to add additional policy language to the NSM readmission policy section of the catalog, specifically addressing students on a first academic suspension. Participating in the meeting and email discussions were committee members Christina Gola, Richard Scamell, Shishir Shah, Lesley Sisk, and Steve Soutullo.

**Background**

In a previous proposal to the Academic Policies & Procedures Subcommittee addressing new admission requirements for FTIC, transfer, and reapplying students (UC 11798 12F), NSM had included language addressing students on first academic suspension. At that time, we discussed and approved the requirements for reapplying students, including those on a first academic suspension. However, the Chair did not include this specific language as part of the catalog change in the report to the larger UC. This report addresses this oversight and specifically proposes to include the following statement in the catalog.

**New Catalog language:**

The following statement should be added to the end of the NSM Academic Information section,

**Readmission from Academic Suspension:**

(<http://www.uh.edu/academics/catalog/colleges/nsm/academic/index.php>)

Students on first academic suspension are required to reapply for readmission to UH after sitting out for one long semester. If they apply for readmission after their sit out semester, and before 13 months have elapsed, the college will readmit them under contract. If they sit out for more than 13 months they will be required to meet UH and NSM entry standards at the time of their application, and can only do so by taking course work elsewhere in order to generate a blended GPA (cumulative and Math & Science GPA) greater than 2.49.

**Discussion**

The subcommittee revisited the previous approved proposal, UC 11798 12F. Upon reviewing the previous discussions and proposal, we had no major concerns with this change. The language clearly articulates the procedures and requirements.

**Recommendation**

The subcommittee recommends approval of UC 12256 13S for implementation in Fall 2013.