

# Academic Fresh Start Program and Acknowledgement

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## TERMS OF PROGRAM

**Academic Fresh Start** is a provision of the “right to an Academic Fresh Start” legislation published in the Texas Education Code, Section 51.931. Under this law, a Texas resident may apply for admission to an institution of higher education and, at the same time, request that the institution ignore all academic course credits or grades earned 10 or more years prior to the starting date of the semester for which the applicant seeks admission. An applicant who elects to take advantage of Academic Fresh Start cannot pick the course credits or grades that are to be eliminated from consideration. All course grades or credits must be excluded.

To apply through **Academic Fresh Start** submit this signed acknowledgement form **at the time of application** as a part of the admission process. All required documents to support the application for admission must be submitted by the application deadline. *Even though the academic work will not be evaluated, official transcripts from all former institutions attended are still required for admissions.*

A former student who applies for readmission to UTSA may elect Academic Fresh Start at the time of reapplication to UTSA. UTSA course work ignored for admission purposes under Academic Fresh Start will remain on the student’s official UTSA academic transcript, but cannot be used to fulfill degree requirements or remove other existing deficiencies.

Semester credit hours over ten years old when the student has declared Academic Fresh Start do not count toward the undergraduate credit limitation.

**Academic Fresh Start does not apply to veterans who are eligible for the Montgomery G.I. Bill.** All prior credit must be evaluated and applied to the veteran’s degree requirements. For questions concerning veterans’ benefits, the UTSA Veteran and Military Affairs John Peace Library (JPL) 1.01.14., or a student may call (210) 458-4540 prior to applying for Academic Fresh Start.

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND SIGNATURE

**NOTE: Please read all information carefully and initial each statement. Sign and date the bottom of the form.**

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. I understand and accept the provisions of the Academic Fresh Start Program. I acknowledge that I will not receive any credit for the course work completed 10 or more years ago. I also understand that prior college work, documents and grades will be listed on the UTSA transcript, but the hours and grades will not be counted.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. I verify that I am a Texas resident for tuition purposes.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. I understand Fresh Start courses cannot be used to fulfill UTSA degree requirements, prerequisite requirements, or to remove any other existing deficiencies.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. I understand the catalog in effect at the time the Academic Fresh Start application is effective.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. I understand that for proper course placement, the Texas Success Initiative may require an assessment prior to my first enrollment in classes.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. I understand Academic Fresh Start is a state law that applies only to admission decisions and does not override federal regulations. Therefore, federal regulations concerning financial aid are not affected by Academic Fresh Start.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. I understand The Fresh Start option is irrevocable.

myUTSA ID: \_\_\_\_\_ Student's First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last: \_\_\_\_\_



*By signing below, I indicate that:*

- ***I understand and accept*** the provisions of the Academic Fresh Start Program as described above.
- ***I acknowledge*** that this action is irrevocable and I will not receive any credit for academic work earned 10 or more years ago.
- ***I certify*** that I have provided a complete and accurate record of my academic history.

Term of Application: \_\_\_\_\_ myUTSA ID: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_