Academic Policy and Information

Course Load

Regular Course Load

Students carrying twelve or more semester hours are considered full-time.

will get a receipt and a "Credit Examination Notice" card stamped as paid. The stamped card must be presented to the Chair or Dean before the test. If students pass a departmental exam, their cards will be signed by the Chair and submitted to the Office of the Registrar. If students fail a departmental exam, the Chair or Dean will file their cards to indicate that students are ineligible to take a second exam on the same subject.

Grades and Academic Records

Grading System

Grade	Quality Points Per Semester Hour
A	4.0
B	3.0
C	2.0
D	1.0
F	0.0
I	No quality points are earned until the course is satisfactorily comp
W	0.0
WF	0.0

Grade Point Average (GPA)

Academic Standing is based on this average. The GPA is calculated by dividing the total number of academic credit hour quality points a student has earned by the total number of grade point average hours (GPA hours) the student has attempted. (See Academic Standing for further information).

Final grades are available to students through Banner Web, the Middle Georgia State College online registration system.

The following grade symbols are used but are not included in computing the grade point average:

I	An I stands for an Incomplete and indicates that the student for academic reasons was unable to complete the requirements for a course. The instructor of the course and the student are to arrange for the course's completion midterm of the next semester the student is enrolled or by the end of one calendar year if the student is not enrolled is not removed in the defined time period, a grade of F is assigned to the course;
IP	This indicates that the student has made passing a Learning Support course; but the student has not exited Learning Support and is required to enroll in that course the next semester of enrollment.
W	This indicates a withdrawal without penalty and is assigned when students withdraw from by the midterm date.
WF	This indicates that the student withdrew from a course after the midterm date. In cases of hardship, approved by of Academic Affairs, students may receive the W after midterm.
V	This indicates that the course was audited, and the student receives no quality points.
K	This indicates that the credit was granted via an tes that .44 re W* n BT 1 0 0 1 90.504 259.0t .44 93.(

Renewal GPA but are counted in the Academic Renewal Hours Earned. Further, all remaining courses for the current degree objective must be completed at the Academic Renewal institution, i.e., no transient credit will be accepted.

To earn an associate degree, students must fulfill Middle Georgia State College's residency requirement of 20 semester hours. To earn a baccalaureate degree, students must fulfill Middle Georgia State College's residency requirement of 30 semester hours, including 21 hours in upper division courses in the major area. The retained hours earned prior to Academic Renewal (i.e., A, B, C grades) will not apply toward the residency requirement.

Any scholastic suspensions that occurred in the past will remain recorded on the student's academic record.

If a student does not request Academic Renewal status at the time of reenrollment after a five year or greater period of absence from any postsecondary institution, the student may do so within two academic semesters of reenrollment or within one calendar year, whichever comes first.

A student who has not been suspended/dismissed from a system institution but who has been absent from that institution five years or more and who has attended a school other than that institution may choose only one of the following options:

1. A student may return to the same institution subject to all relevant transfer and re-entry policies. No renewal GPA is calculated and transfer credit will be granted for applicable courses taken during the absence.
2. A student may apply for Academic Renewal. If Academic Renewal status is approved, no transfer credit will be granted for coursework completed during the absence.

The Academic Renewal GPA begins with the first term following reenrollment.

Reentry into any program is not automatic.

The granting of Academic Renewal does not supersede financial aid policies regarding Satisfactory Academic Progress.

Once granted Academic Renewal, students must complete twelve semester hours of academic courses for an associate degree (in the specific program's core curriculum) at Middle Georgia State College with a 2.00 or higher GPA before being considered for admission to a specific allied health program.

Special Programs and Learning Opportunities

G. A. M. E. S. : The Georgia Academy of Aviation, Mathematics, Engineering, and Science

Introduction

The Georgia Academy of Aviation, Mathematics, Engineering, and Science (GAMES) is a residential, dual-enrollment program for top-performing high school juniors and seniors. Originated fall quarter, 1997, GAMES allows students who meet the strenuous admission requirements to obtain high school and college credit simultaneously while enrolled full-time in college courses.

Enrollment

Fees and Financial Assistance

GAMES students, in spite of the enhanced level of opportunities and services provided, are subject only to the tuition/fees required of all Middle Georgia College students. These fees are listed in another section of this catalog and are subject to annual changes.

State and institutional assistance is available to GAMES students dually enrolled with high schools in Georgia.

Honors Program

The Honors Program at Middle Georgia St

Students who are not required to take LS courses in any disciplinary area may elect to enroll in LS in the non-required area for institutional credit or on an audit basis. Such students are *limited to two attempts in English (Writing) and reading and three attempts in math* but are not subject to the requirements assigned to students with LS requirements, e.g. the 20 hour rule.

Study Abroad Program

Middle Georgia State College students may participate in study abroad programs sponsored both by colleges and universities in the University System of Georgia and by the European, African, and Asian Councils of the University System.

These study abroad programs are designed to offer students an opportunity to experience life in another culture, to see the world and human relationships from a broader, more informed perspective, and to add an international or cross-cultural dimension to their educational experience. Students may choose from a wide variety of available programs for summer, semester, or academic year study. For detailed information regarding the Study Abroad Program refer to: www.maconstate.edu/academics/studyabroad/

First Year Experience

The First Year Experience (FYE) at Middle Georgia State College is a comprehensive program of academic and personal development activities and services. The goal of the College's FYE program is to prepare students to succeed in a technology-rich, information-driven global economy while developing important life and citizenship skills through a solid foundation in the liberal arts. The program facilitates the student's transition to college life by seeking to develop the enjoyment of a wide variety of services, the self-awareness and understanding of others, the skills to meet the challenges of higher education, and the student's ability to enter into the community of life-long learners. The FYE program coordinates the efforts of numerous campus entities to ensure beginning students make a successful transition to higher education and become acculturated to the Middle Georgia State College community.

The foundation of the FYE program is the freshman seminar course, FYES 1001, First Year Seminar. The three overarching objectives of the First Year program and the seminar course are:

1) To connect students with other students, to facilitate student formation of peer support networks and peer learning communities;

2) To connect students with Middle Georgia State College, to foster student appreciation of the meaning and relevance of the college curriculum (liberal arts & sciences), to promote student involvement in the co

Baccalaureate Degree

Students who have earned a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited institution may earn a second baccalaureate degree from Middle Georgia State College by meeting the following requirements:

1. Completing all lower division major requirements (Area F) required by the degree.
2. Completing lower division prerequisite courses required by the degree.
3. Completing all upper division major requirements for the degree.
4. Meeting Georgia legislativq] TJ2(re)4(q)-6(u)-6(ire)-11(m)18(e)4(n)-6(ts:)] TJnstitHistprtha6(ts:)] bam p3(u)-6(y)11(ioi6