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## Academic Bankruptcy of Transferred Work

### Policy Statement

Academic transfer bankruptcy allows undergraduate students who have been out of higher education for an extended period to void a portion of their earlier work attempted at other institutions. ECU offers this option because it recognizes that some students fail to perform satisfactorily due to immaturity or to other factors that interfere with their academic performance.

To qualify for transfer bankruptcy, a student must meet the following conditions:

- a) The student must not have attended Eastern Kentucky University or any other institution of higher education for a period of at least two consecutive years sometime after attempting the work to be bankrupted.
- b) After being readmitted, the student must attain a minimum of a 2.0 GPA with no grade lower than a "C" on at least 12 hours of college-level (i.e., 100 or above) ECU courses. All courses and grades, including repeated courses, will be counted in the GPA. All work attempted in the academic term that includes the twelfth hour is affected by these grade restrictions.
- c) The student must state, in writing, his or her intention to declare transfer bankruptcy to the Registrar's Office. The written petition must identify the institutions from which work is to be bankrupted, as well as the specific semesters that are to be bankrupted. Students may request to bankrupt any or all semesters of prior work, but all work from a given semester will be bankrupted if the student requests to bankrupt that semester and if the request is approved.
- d) The student may not have previously declared transfer bankruptcy at ECU.
- e) The term noted above in which the twelfth hour is attempted must be fall 1987 or more recent.
- f) Any academic work earned before completion of a baccalaureate degree cannot be bankrupted after the degree has been awarded.
- g) The student must be currently enrolled as a degree seeking student at ECU. If transfer bankruptcy is granted, the bankrupted work will remain on the transcript; but it will not be counted in the student's GPA and will not count toward degree requirements, including the upper division hours requirement. However, the dean of the college in which the student is enrolled may waive major, supporting, and general education requirements met by bankrupted courses in which the student received a "C" or higher grade, while requiring the student to substitute enough elective courses to obtain the minimum number of credit hours required to graduate.

All academic course work, including bankrupted work, will be counted in computing graduation with honors.

### Entities Affected by the Policy

- Office of the Registrar
- Students

## Interpreting Authority

Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs

## Policy Review and Approval

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