

## **UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON-CLEAR LAKE ACADEMIC FRESH START POLICY**

Individuals who are applying for admission or readmission to University of Houston-Clear Lake and wish to enter under the guidelines established for an **Academic Fresh Start (AFS)** must indicate this to the Office of Admissions at the time they apply for admission. The acknowledgment form must be submitted by the appropriate application deadline. Only individuals who are Texas residents and have had academic coursework ten years prior to their application can be considered for **AFS**. Students electing to use the **AFS** policy will forfeit all credit earned prior to ten years from the term of admission.

Academic work done subsequent to ten years will be used in the evaluation for admission. If a student does not have coursework subsequent to ten years, he or she will be considered for admission based on the guidelines for new entering freshmen, which will require, among other things, an acceptable SAT or ACT score that has been completed within the past five years. All questions concerning Academic Fresh Start should be submitted to the Office of Admissions.

### **Transcript**

The University of Houston-Clear Lake official transcript will have a notation beginning the semester of entry that the individual has been admitted under; the AFS policy and that coursework and grades earned prior to this time are not used for degree audit or computed in the GPA.

### **TSI**

All students will be required to satisfy TSI requirements prior to enrollment.

### **CATALOG**

For a student electing to use **AFS**, the catalog in effect for degree purposes, will be the catalog of record at the time the student enters UHCL under the **AFS** policy.

### **PREREQUISITES**

If a student elects to enter UHCL under the **AFS** policy, all academic coursework that has been forfeited, prior to ten years, cannot be considered as prerequisites for courses currently required in the degree plan.

### **CREDIT BY EXAM**

A student will be allowed to take placement examinations for courses for which they previously had credit. All placement examinations will be handled in accordance with university placement and Credit By Exam policies.

### **OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

If a student is admitted to UHCL under the **AFS** policy and his or her credentials are evaluated based on that criteria, they cannot subsequently request that the **AFS** policy be removed to use coursework forfeited under the **AFS** policy. This includes the legal requirements in history and political science.

If a student transferring to UHCL elects to use the **AFS** policy at a previous school, the **AFS** policy will remain in effect at UHCL. A student will not be allowed to revoke the election of **AFS** once it has been acted upon by any institution.

Any questions concerning Academic Fresh Start should be directed to **Admissions@uhcl.edu**.

**ACADEMIC FRESH START ACKNOWLEDGMENT  
UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON-CLEAR LAKE  
OFFICE OF ADMISSIONS**

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I understand and accept the provisions of the Academic Fresh Start Policy. I acknowledge that I will not receive any credit for coursework 10 or more years older and I certify that I have provided a complete record of my academic history.

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Signature

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Date

Return the signed acknowledgment by the appropriate deadline:

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