Graduate Course Repeats, Grades, and CGPA

A. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to define the rules for repeating graduate courses, graduate grades, good academic standing, and CGPA.

B. Scope

This policy applies to all graduate students.

C. Key words and phrases:

CGPA – stands for cumulative grade point average.

D. Policy & Procedure(s)

REPEATING GRADUATE COURSES, GRADUATE GPA, AND GRADES

1. CGPA Candidacy/Graduation Requirement: A 3.00 CGPA is required for candidacy and graduation for all graduate degrees awarded by Kutztown University. This policy also applies to those students enrolled for dual graduate degrees.

2. Repeating Courses and the “C” Grade Requirement: A graduate student can repeat a single course for grade improvement only once. Graduate students will be limited to a maximum of two (2) repeats across the program. An exception to the course repeat policy must be approved by the advisor, department chairperson, college dean, and graduate dean.

The most recent grade (regardless of whether it is higher or lower) will be the grade used for the CGPA calculation. A grade of “C” or better or “PA” in those courses designated pass/fail is required for all courses counted toward a graduate degree at Kutztown University. The grade of “F” or “FA” received in required graduate courses must be repeated.

If a graduate student repeats a course in which a grade below a “B” was earned and the student earns a grade below a “B” for the repeated course, then both the original
grade below a “B” and the newly-earned grade below a “B” will count against the student when determining graduate academic standing.

**Grading and CGPA Regulations:** There is no “D” grade for student grading in 400-level to 700-level courses.

**E. Effective Date**

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**F. Approved By**

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