



**FRESH START PETITION**

*To be submitted to the Admissions and Records Office  
by the first day of the term you return*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Student ID: A \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State Zip Code

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Qualifications:**

To qualify, the student needs to have been absent from Aims for a period of two calendar years or longer.  
**\*Fresh Start can only be applied to an academic record once. Once started, the Fresh Start Program cannot be revoked.**

**Academic Record:**

All formerly earned grades will remain on your transcript, with notation regarding the Fresh Start Rule. Students cannot choose which courses are used for recalculation. Grades that will no longer be calculated in your GPA will not count for credit toward graduation. All recorded grades at Aims prior to and after Fresh Start will be used to determine all academic honors.

**PLEASE REFER TO THE OTHER SIDE OF THIS PETITION FOR THE RULES OF THIS POLICY.**

Please provide reason for petition: \_\_\_\_\_

**I have read the rules of Fresh Start on the reverse side of this petition and understand their applicability to my academic record.**

**Student Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Advisor's Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

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Registrar's Approval (or designee)	Recorded by	Date



## **FRESH START FOR RETURNING STUDENTS**

“Fresh Start” is defined as the **elimination of the student’s entire previous GPA.**

This program is designed for students who have been absent from Aims for a period of two calendar years or longer, and would like to return to a new academic record.

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1. All formerly earned grades will remain on your transcript, with notation regarding the Fresh Start Rule; the student cannot choose which courses are used for recalculation. The grades will no longer calculate in your GPA and will no longer count for credit toward graduation.
2. Some academic departments do not accept Fresh Start toward their admission requirements for certain majors. Check with the academic department to determine if Fresh Start is accepted.
3. Fresh Start can only be applied to an academic record once. Once started, the Fresh Start Program cannot be revoked.
4. If planning to transfer to another institution, be aware that many schools recalculate a students’ GPA to account for all classes taken at previous institutions.
5. All recorded grades at Aims prior to and after Fresh Start will be used to determine all academic honors.
6. In accordance with Department of Education regulations, all attempted coursework is included to determine Financial Aid eligibility; no portion of the academic transcript can be excluded. Contact Student Financial Assistance for more information.