

Fresh Start Program

A student who is seeking readmission to Russell Sage College and has not attended Sage in four or more years may choose to have all Sage coursework (from the prior attendance) be exempt from the calculation of the grade point average. In choosing this option, the student would receive credit for courses in which a grade of "C-" or better was earned; the grades however, would not be included in the computation of the grade point average (GPA). In effect, students electing the Fresh Start policy will have old coursework treated as transfer credit in the calculation of credit for courses, GPA, and the determination of eligibility for honors in the respective colleges. The decision to declare a "Fresh Start" must be communicated to the Registrar upon the recommendation of the Office of Academic Advising by the end of the student's first semester of re-enrollment and can be claimed no more than once in a student's career at Russell Sage College. All original grades earned (including those below a C-), remain on the student's transcript for record-keeping purposes, though they are not computed into the student's grade point average. Upon reenrolling, students are newly matriculated under the current catalog in effect at the time of reenrollment. Note: per the federal financial aid satisfactory academic progress policy original grades and credits will be used to determine financial aid eligibility.