Repeat Course Surcharge

The Florida Legislature implemented <u>Florida Statutes Section 1009.285</u> to encourage students to complete their baccalaureate degree as quickly and efficiently as possible. This requires all state universities to monitor undergraduate student progress and charge students the "full cost of instruction" for certain repeats of undergraduate courses. This policy became effective in fall 1997 and requires Florida Poly to charge students a substantial per credit hour surcharge when they attempt a course three or more times, unless the course is specifically designed to be repeated or is required to be repeated by their major.

Students will be required to pay the surcharge, in addition to the appropriate in-state or outof-state tuition rates. Please note that ALL attempts count, including withdrawals after the first week of classes and courses with incomplete grades.

Certain exceptions are permitted, such as any course(s) taken or repeated prior to fall 1997, courses identified as repeatable, courses designed to take multiple semesters to complete, and withdrawals that do not result in fee payment.

Students have the option to appeal the fee if extenuating circumstances or severe financial hardship exists. Extenuating circumstances are those determined to be exceptional and beyond the control of the student, such as serious illness or medical conditions preventing course completion, death of an immediate family member, involuntary call to active duty, or University error.

Severe financial hardships are also those determined to be exceptional and beyond the control of the student, such as bankruptcy, loss of income, and documented qualification for federal need-based aid. Students with other documented financial hardships may also be considered.

The student must complete a Repeat Course Fee Exemption Application, along with any supporting documentation. The completed form, with documentation, should be submitted to the Student Business Services for consideration.

Students are liable for paying all surcharge fees associated with repeated courses, along with their regular tuition on or before the fee deadline date for that semester.