Repetition of Courses

I. Policy Statement and Purpose

In accordance with Athens State University’s educational mission, this policy establishes the standards for courses originally taken and subsequently repeated at Athens State University. These standards are based on comparable practices at other institutions of higher education, and also recognize the unique status of the University as an upper-division institution.

II. Repeating a Course – Effect on the Grade Point Average (GPA)

Students should be aware that course repeats, regardless of the reason, are frequently looked upon unfavorably by employers, honor societies, and graduate schools.

Any course originally taken at Athens State University must be repeated at Athens State University for the repeated course to count towards program requirements. While the grades for all repeated courses remain on the Athens State transcript, only the most recent course grade will be used in calculating the institutional GPA and for determining fulfillment of program or major requirements or eligibility for honors.

Students are encouraged to contact their academic advisor before repeating any courses. Special regulations pertain to students receiving veteran’s benefits or financial aid: those individuals must confer with the Director of Veterans Affairs or the Director of Student Financial Aid prior to registering for a course repeat.

III. Responsibility for this Operating Policy

A. Policy Owner

As part of the initial approval of this policy by the President and subsequent to the original dissemination of the policy, the President has assigned the Provost/Vice President for Academic Affairs as the policy owner for the ongoing evaluation, review, and approval of this policy. Subsequent reviews and revisions to this policy must be in accordance with approved operating policy procedures and processes.

This policy will be reviewed every three years or more frequently as needed.

B. Responsibility for Policy Implementation

The President has assigned the responsibility of implementing this policy to the Registrar, under the direction of the Provost/Vice President for Academic Affairs, the Vice President for
Enrollment Management and Student Support Services, and the Assistant Vice President for Enrollment Management.