University of Strathclyde

Academic Suspension and Registration with Attendance

If your examination results have led to you being placed in Academic Suspension by the Board of Examiners you may find these helpful, particularly if you are a UK student.

Academic Suspension

Academic Suspension (AS) is a registration status that you have been placed into following a decision by the Exam Board. Academic Suspension means you will not attend classes during your year of suspension, but you are entitled to sit the examinations/assessments for the failed classes at the next available opportunity. There are no tuition fees payable, although there is a one-off registration charge of £75. You must still register online via PEGASUS and your failed classes will be added automatically to your student record.

Whilst in academic suspension, you will not receive funding from your funding body. This means you will not get a maintenance loan, bursary, grant, or tuition fee support in the year you are in AS. This is because your funding body classes you as not attending university which makes you ineligible for funding. Students in AS are reported as non-attending to the funding bodies if they have applied for funding for that session.

If you have already submitted your funding application, you can submit an update through your online funding account to notify them you will be in Academic Suspension and will not be attending University. If you have not notified your funding body prior to the start of the academic year that you are repeating a year, you could end up with a funding overpayment.

There is an alternative, if you have received an exam board decision of Academic Suspension, you may request to attend a reduced number of classes during your period of suspension. This is known as Registration with Attendance (RWA). This is subject to approval and not all students are eligible. Being in RWA can mean you may be eligible to receive funding.

If you are considering RWA please **do not** complete online registration for Academic Suspension and read the information about funding whilst in RWA.

Registration with Attendance

If you receive an exam board decision of Academic Suspension (AS) and you're a UK student, you may be eligible for an alternative option called Registration with Attendance (RWA).

RWA allows you to attend a reduced number of classes (credits) for the year to allow you to attempt to pass your failed classes. You would only need to pay tuition fees on a "pro-rata" basis depending on the number of classes (credits) you would be studying.

To apply for RWA, please contact your Adviser of Studies to discuss if it is a suitable option for your circumstances. If it is, complete the Registration with Attendance form below and submit it to the Student Business Team (address on the form).

If you're allowed to register for RWA you may be eligible to receive full time funding from your funding body.

If you've already submitted your funding application, you can submit an update through your online funding account to notify your funding body you're repeating a year. If you've not notified your funding body that you're repeating a year, prior to the start of the academic year, you could end up with a funding overpayment.

Here is a link to find out more about the funding implications of Registration with Attendance.

1. What is Registration with Attendance?

Students placed in Academic Suspension sometimes ask to be allowed as an alternative to attend a reduced number of credits for the year in which they attempt to pass their failed classes. Such 'registration with attendance' can have both academic benefits and, in some cases, financial benefits. You will remain registered on a full-time course but will pay a tuition fee on a "pro-rata" basis according to the number of credits you will be studying. For example, if you will be studying 60 credits, you will be charged 50% of the relevant full-time fee.

2. Who can apply for Registration with Attendance?

Students who are not subject to a Tier 4 visa who will be studying a reduced number of credits for the year whilst still registered on a full-time course of study (i.e., those students who register to attend classes, on the clear understanding that this is with a view to gaining the academic credit necessary to return to the full-time course or complete studies). Students seeking Registration with Attendance status should not normally be registering for a curriculum which amounts to more than 50% of the equivalent full-time curriculum. In certain cases, this may be considered. However, this would require further formal approval.

3. What are the advantages and disadvantages of Registration with Attendance?

You have an extra year of full support available known as the plus 1 year and this can be used if you need to repeat a year of your course. Please note that postgraduate students are eligible for the plus 1 year if you didn't use it during your undergraduate studies.

If you decide to apply for RWA and you've not previously used your plus 1 year of funding, you may be entitled to tuition fee support, maintenance loan, bursary, and grants.

You can find out more about the financial implications of RWA by following this link.

4. How do I know if Registration with Attendance is suitable for me?

After reading this form and reading the <u>Registration status & funding implications web page</u> you should speak to Adviser of Study to discuss if RWA is suitable for you.

5. How much will it cost me?

You will pay a tuition fee on a "pro-rata" basis according to the number of credits you will be studying. For example, if you will be studying 60 credits, you will be charged 50% of the relevant full-time fee.

You may be eligible to use your plus 1 year from your funding body if you haven't used your plus one year previously.

6. How do I arrange to Register with Attendance?

Any transfer to Registration with Attendance can only take place with the agreement of the relevant academic department or faculty. You must discuss fully your situation with your Adviser of Study. An agreement will be made as to how many classes will have to be taken under Registration with Attendance to proceed to the next year of study or complete your course. A signed agreement detailing the nature and number of classes to be undertaken will then be returned to the Student Business Team who will make the necessary adjustments in terms of registration, fee collection etc. Student Business will email you with the outcome of your application in due course.

7. What is the deadline for applying for Registration with Attendance?

Students should apply for Registration with Attendance before the end of September.

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Agreement

I agree that under the terms of the 'Registration with Attendance' scheme, the following classes will be undertaken. I understand that this will allow me to attend the said classes this session on a part-time basis with the intention of proceeding to the next year of full-time study the following session or completing my studies.

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^{*}The completed form should be emailed to the relevant Student Business Team (see contact details at https://www.strath.ac.uk/studentlifecycle/contactus/)before the end of September.