

Late and Retroactive Withdrawal Petition Process

Withdrawals are not permitted beyond the last day to withdraw specified in the University Calendar for the term except for serious and unforeseen circumstances. For petitions to be considered, students must have a reason that can be documented in writing. Late withdrawals require College of the student's major approval; retroactive withdrawals will be reviewed by Registrar's Office. The process is the same for Undergraduate and Graduate students. Until your petition is officially approved and processed in the Registrar's Office, you are still enrolled in your classes.

DEFINITIONS:

- **Late Withdrawals** – Late withdrawals are current term withdrawals (after online deadline has passed) through the end of the next major term (fall or spring). Students must take this petition packet to the College of their major and provide any additional information as requested. Late withdrawals will not be processed by the Registrar's Office without the College's approval.
- **Retroactive Withdrawals** – Retroactive withdrawals are withdrawals for terms more than one major term back. Students must provide this petition packet to the Registrar's Office. Petitions for retroactive withdrawals from individual classes are rarely granted.

LATE AND RETROACTIVE PROCEDURE:

1. Prepare a typed statement explaining in full your reason for requesting a late or retroactive withdrawal. Include all information you feel is relevant to support your request.
2. Provide documentation from verifiable sources confirming your reasons for a late or retroactive withdrawal.
3. Provide your withdrawal petition (late) to the College of your major within one regular semester (fall or spring) **OR** provide your withdrawal petition (retroactive) after more than one regular (fall or spring) semester to the Registrar's Office.
4. You may provide any forms, required approvals and/or documentation to the Registrar's Office in Wilder Tower 003 or in a Tiger Help ticket at <http://www.memphis.edu/tigerhelp>

FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS:

This form only releases you from your courses and not any financial obligations. Please contact [University & Student Business Services](#) for information concerning financial appeals.

Before withdrawing from a course/courses, consider the impact this action might have on financial aid or scholarships. Check with the Financial Aid Office if you do not know how withdrawing may affect you.

Withdrawal Petition Packet

Student's Name: _____ Phone: _____

Banner U #: U _____

U of M E-Mail: _____ Major: _____

TERM AND YEAR FOR WHICH WITHDRAWAL IS REQUESTED:

Fall Spring Summer 20____

Have you ever applied for or been approved for an Academic Fresh Start? YES NO

Have you ever applied for or been approved for Academic Renewal? YES NO

In the past have you applied for or been approved for a retroactive withdrawal? YES NO

Reason and documentation for petitioning for a late or retroactive withdrawal (use additional sheets.)

Students: Choose one below based on timeline of the withdrawal petition.

Late Withdrawal – Withdrawal within one regular (fall or spring) semester after the term. Students are to take this petition packet to the College of their major. Students must provide documentation and obtain all signatures / approvals as required by the College.

Student's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Decision by College of student's major: _____

College Rep / Chair / Dean Signature _____ Date: _____

Advisor's Signature (if applicable) _____ Date: _____

Retroactive Withdrawal – Withdrawal from terms more than one regular (fall or spring) term back. Students must take this petition packet to the Registrar's Office. No other signatures are required for retroactive withdrawals (but recommended as it will help support the claim.) Information will be reviewed by committee and processed if approved.

Student's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Decision by Registrar's Office Withdrawal Committee: _____

College Approvers for Late Withdrawals for UG and GR Students

For late withdrawals, please reach out to the College of your major for approval. Late withdrawals are current term withdrawals (after online deadline has passed) through the end of the next major term (fall or spring). Be prepared to provide all documentation requested by the College. Late withdrawals will not be processed by the Registrar's Office without the approval of the College of the student's major. If you need assistance, please reach out to your academic advisor for guidance on who to contact or the Registrar's Office at 901 678-2810.

College/Campus	Name and Extension	Email
Lambuth Campus	Lisa Warmath 901 678-1903	lwarmath@memphis.edu
College of Health Sciences	Carol Mahalitc 901 678-4316	cmhalitc@memphis.edu
School of Public Health	Shirl Sharpe 901 678-1710	ssharpe@memphis.edu
Fogelman College of B&E	Trellis Morgan 901 678-2855	fcbeadvising@memphis.edu
College of Prof. & Liberal Stud.	Dr. Dot Moss-Hale 901 678-2716	dmhale@memphis.edu
College of Arts & Sciences	UG - Rika Hudson GR - Stormey Warren 901 678-5454 for both	rlhuds1@memphis.edu shutsell@memphis.edu
College of Engineering	Betsy Loe 901 678-4852	egrear@memphis.edu
College of Comm. & Fine Arts	901 678-2394	ccfa@memphis.edu
College of Education	Brittany Foster 901-678-2363	bvfster1@memphis.edu
Comm. Sciences & Disorders	Dr. Lisa Lucks Mendel 901 678-5800	lmendel@memphis.edu
Loewenberg Coll of Nursing	Dr. Jeremy Whittaker 901 678-2879	J.Whittaker@memphis.edu
KWS School of HPRM	Deborah Thompson 901 678-8021	djthmps4@memphis.edu
Academic Advising Center	901 678-2062	aac@memphis.edu

List updated on April 9, 2024 – Please contact college directly if change of personnel occurs.

The University of Memphis Withdrawal Petition - Faculty Information

THIS PART TO BE COMPLETED IN FULL BY THE STUDENT (if possible or requested by college):

Student's Name: _____

Banner U Number: U_____

U of M E-Mail: _____ Major: _____

TERM AND YEAR FOR WHICH WITHDRAWAL IS REQUESTED:

Fall Spring Summer 20____

THIS PART TO BE COMPLETED IN FULL BY THE INSTRUCTOR:

Dear Faculty Member: Any student applying for a late or retroactive withdrawal from a course or semester is required to document the reason for a petition. The above-named student has applied to withdraw after the optional withdrawal period has ended and has been instructed to contact the instructor. After you have communicated with the student, please complete the information below in full. Your comments will help in evaluating the student's petition. Please note that completion of this form in no way implies approval of the petition. Thank you.

Course CRN	Subject/Course/Section	Date of First Test/Grade	Date Last Attended	Grade at Time Student Stopped Attending

Approximately how many absences before last date of attendance: _____

Comments:

Faculty Member's Name: _____

Faculty Member's Signature: _____

Date: _____ Phone: _____