Due to changes in the regulations that govern community colleges, Active Participatory Courses (ex: Art, Kinesiology, Music*, Dance*, Cosmetology, Theater*) will no longer be repeatable.

*Students majoring in the performing arts, please see your department for further details.

Active Participatory Courses Defined:
Courses that focus on the development of physical or artistic skill sets.

FOR EXAMPLE: If you enrolled in beginning swimming (KIN PE 48A) and earned a satisfactory grade, you may NOT enroll in that course again. However, you can take elementary swimming (KIN PE 48B) instead.

Q: What if I got a substandard grade or a W in beginning swimming?
Can I repeat it?

A: Yes, you may repeat it ONCE without special permission to alleviate the substandard grade or the W. However, you can only take swimming at SMC a total of 4 TIMES, so you would have used up two attempts.

Ex: KIN PE 48A: 1st attempt you get a W
+ 2nd attempt you get a “B”

Now you can only have 2 more swimming classes for a total of 4 swimming experiences at SMC.

You have 4 attempts/experiences in swimming at SMC. NO CLASS is repeatable unless you get a substandard grade or a W. In this example, you will not get to take all 4 levels of swimming at SMC.

Q: What does this mean?

A: If there is a series of 4 courses in a particular area of study (ex: swimming or drawing) where you want to take all four levels, you have a maximum of 4 enrollments/Attempts allowed (including substandard grades and W’s).
SOLUTION: TAKE EACH ENROLLMENT SERIOUSLY BECAUSE YOU ONLY HAVE A MAXIMUM OF 4 TRIES.

Q: What about other classes like Math and English?

A: Nothing has changed. These courses were never repeatable unless you got a substandard grade or a W. Students still can only enroll in the same course at SMC A MAXIMUM OF THREE TIMES. Past enrollments resulting in substandard grades (D & F), withdrawals, incompletes, and no passes in the same course will count towards this maximum. For further questions about this change in policy, please see an SMC counselor.

Q: What about classes I took in the past? If I’ve already taken beginning swimming three times, do I get to start over with 4 fresh attempts/experiences?

A: No. Your past attempts will immediately count toward your maximum allotted experiences (4 max).

If you have questions about enrollment, go to www.smc.edu/enrollinfo