University Policy 3200

Registration and Transcript Holds

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Responsible Party

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Scope and Audience

This policy applies to all offices that initiate registration and transcript holds and University students.

Additional Authority

- 34 CFR 668 (Student Assistance General Provisions)
- University Policy 1060 (Non-discrimination and Anti-harassment)
- University Policy 1065 (Sexual Harassment, Sexual Misconduct, Dating Violence, Domestic Violence, and Stalking)
- University Policy 2020 (Student Code of Conduct)
- University Policy 2050 (Maintaining Instructional Order)
- University Policy 3000 (Academic Probation and Dismissal)
- University Policy 12050 (Behavioral Intervention and Threat Assessment)
1. Policy Purpose

To outline the reasons for which registration and transcript holds may be placed on a student account and to outline the removal and appeal process.

2. Policy Statement

Boise State University places registration and transcript holds on student accounts when a student has not met a condition or obligation to the university because of 1.) failing to fulfill an academic; administrative; financial; or legal obligation, agreement, or requirement with the University, 2.) disruptive or threatening behavior, or 3.) a Student Code of Conduct sanction. Transcript holds may not be placed on a student account for unpaid debts. Registration and transcript holds impact a student’s ability to register/enroll, receive a transcript, or receive a refund.

3. Reasons for Registration and Transcript Holds

3.1 Academic

Colleges, departments, or advising offices may place holds on student accounts for the following reasons:

a. Failure to meet academic standards

b. To enforce required advising appointments

c. Not meeting admission or retention requirements for specialized programs (e.g., malpractice insurance, background checks, etc.)

d. Academic departments may place a warning hold on a student account for lost or broken institutional equipment, supplies, property, uniforms, instruments, keys, etc.

3.2 Conduct

The Office of the Dean of Students may place a hold on a student account for:

a. A disciplinary proceeding and/or failure on the student’s part to follow through with any required actions to resolve an incident. See University Policy 2020 (Student Code of Conduct) or University Policy 2050 (Maintaining Instructional Order) for more information.
b. Exhibiting behavior that constitutes a danger to oneself, others, or property. See University Policy 12050 (Behavioral Intervention and Threat Assessment).

3.3 Mandated Completion

The Dean of Students Office may place holds on student accounts when a student fails to complete University or Idaho State Board of Education-mandated courses.

3.4 Matters Involving Harassment or Discrimination

The Office of Institutional Compliance and Ethics may place a hold on a student account for a matter involving alleged discrimination or harassment under University Policy 1060 (Non-discrimination or Anti-harassment) or a violation of University Policy 1065 (Sexual Harassment, Sexual Misconduct, Dating Violence, Domestic Violence, and Stalking).

3.5 Financial (Registration Holds Only)

a. Student Financials, Financial Aid, Housing, Albertsons Library, and the Department of Public Safety may place a registration hold on a student account as a result of outstanding financial or policy obligations (e.g., student financial agreement) with the University. This could include, but is not limited to canceled, reduced, or eliminated aid; or a failure to sign promissory note.

b. The minimum threshold for a financial hold is $500. No registration hold will be placed for an amount of less than $500.

3.6 Admissions

The Admissions Office (undergraduate and graduate) may place a hold on a student account for incomplete Admission files.

4. Removing Holds

Once the issue that initiated the hold is resolved, the office that placed the hold is responsible for its timely removal.

5. Timing

A hold should prompt a student to resolve an issue generally before the registration period to minimize unintended disruptions to timely academic progress. Departments must play an active role in the timely removal of registration holds.
6. Responsibility and Authority

The Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management, or designee, is responsible for the enforcement of this policy.

a. Each designated unit in section 3.1 has the authority to initiate the registration hold process with students and place an official hold on a student account.

b. Each year, by the last day in January, the names and titles of the individuals with registration hold authority will be sent to the Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management’s office for auditing. The Registrar's Office is responsible for initiating the audit process.

c. If any individual with designated registration hold authority leaves the University or moves to a new position on campus, the hold authority will be removed from that individual’s profile. The authority in the office will be re-evaluated, and a new person in the unit may be assigned this responsibility.

d. Hold authority does not transfer with the person leaving the unit, nor does their replacement automatically receive the same authority.

7. Right of Appeal

A student wishing to appeal a registration or transcript hold must contact the office responsible for placing the hold to initiate the appropriate appeal process. Students may access information about their holds, including the office responsible for placing the hold (and contact information), in their student center account.

8. Related Information

For instructions on how to place holds, contact the Office of the Registrar at:

(208) 426-4249
(800) 824-7017
regmail@boisestate.edu

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