

Name: _____ Student ID#: _____
(Print First and Last Name)

Academic Program: _____ Campus: _____

Brandman University's Academic Fresh Start policy allows an **UNDERGRADUATE** applicant to apply for admission and request that Brandman University ignore all academic and military coursework earned 10 or more years prior to the start date of the trimester for which the applicant seeks admission. An applicant who elects to take advantage of Academic Fresh Start cannot select the course credits or grades that are to be eliminated from consideration. All course grades or credits must be excluded.

To apply using the Academic Fresh Start policy an applicant must sign this Fresh Start Acknowledgement Form as a part of the admission process. An applicant should carefully review the information provided on this form and make sure that the terms of the agreement are understood. If the applicant agrees to the provisions, the applicant signs the acknowledgment form and submits it to the Brandman University Office of Admission. All documents required to complete the application for admission must also be submitted. Even though the academic coursework will not be included in the admission evaluation, **official transcripts from all former institutions attended must be submitted prior to admission review.**

A former Brandman University student who applies for readmission may elect Academic Fresh Start at the time of reapplication to Brandman University. **Students admitted or readmitted under the Academic Fresh Start policy may elect to use the provisions of this program only once** at Brandman University and only at the point of admission or readmission.

Brandman coursework ignored for admission purposes under Academic Fresh Start will remain on the student's official Brandman academic transcript. A notation recorded on the transcript will identify those courses eliminated by Fresh Start. Fresh Start courses cannot be used to fulfill Brandman University degree requirements or to remove any other existing deficiencies.

The student must recognize that admission to Brandman University via the Fresh Start policy is a binding decision. Once a student has requested this option and admission action has been taken by the university, it may not be revoked. A student's Fresh Start status and the **Fresh Start policies cannot be petitioned or appealed.** In addition, because no credit is being claimed for coursework ignored through the Fresh Start admission process, prerequisite coursework may need to be retaken.

Academic Fresh Start is a Brandman policy that applies only to admission decisions and does not override federal regulations. **Federal regulations concerning financial aid are not affected by Academic Fresh Start. The applicant is advised that the federal government provides Federal Pell Grants for up to 12 semesters of full-time attendance or the equivalent. There are also lifetime borrowing limits for student loans.** If you have received federal financial aid at a previous school, **you can learn of your remaining eligibility by going to www.nslds.ed.gov and clicking on "Financial Aid Review."** Please confer with your academic advisor to develop an educational plan that best aligns with your financial funding. A One Stop Specialist can further assist with your financial questions.

If you agree to the provisions above, deliver this signed agreement form to Brandman University, Office of Admission by:

- Mail: Brandman University, ATTN: Office of Admission, 16355 Laguna Canyon Rd., Irvine, CA 92618
- Faxing: (866) 659-1143
- Emailing to: apply@brandman.edu

- ✓ **I understand and accept** the provisions of the Academic Fresh Start Policy as described above.
- ✓ **I acknowledge** that I will not receive any credit for academic or military work earned 10 or more years ago.
- ✓ **I certify** that I have provided a complete and accurate record of my academic history.
- ✓ **I understand** that this action cannot be revoked.

Signature

Date