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## UH - Hilo Academic Affairs

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### Catalog Choice and Retroactivity

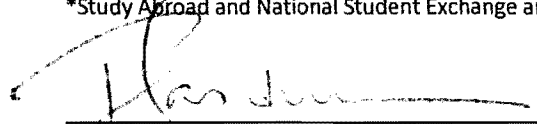
Effective for Fall 2011

- Students may choose to fulfill all requirements from a catalog for which they are eligible or they may fulfill the general education and integrative requirements from one of the catalogs for which they are eligible and all of the major requirements from another of the catalogs for which they are eligible.
- Except as noted below, UH Hilo students may elect to follow the requirements selected from the following catalogs:
  - The default catalog for all students entering UH Hilo will be the one in effect when they first enroll at UH Hilo as long as they maintain continuous enrollment, defined as *no more than* a one semester interruption\* (excluding summers); if a student interrupts his/her enrollment by two or more consecutive semesters\* (excluding summers), the “entering” catalog will be the one in force when the student returns to UH Hilo.
  - Students may elect to use the catalog in force when they entered any campus of the UH System as long as they maintain continuous enrollment as defined as above.
  - Students may petition the Dean of their College for an approved leave of absence for unusual circumstances beyond the student’s control; an approved leave of absence will allow a student to use the catalog in force when s/he entered UH Hilo or another UH System campus with a break of more than one semester.
  - At the time of graduation, students may elect the UH Hilo catalog in force at graduation.
- Early in their academic careers, students should choose an entering catalog and should file a “catalog choice” form with the Office of the Registrar. This will determine the default requirements in STAR. At the time they file an application

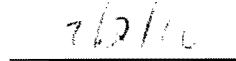
for graduation, they will again have the opportunity to choose a catalog or catalogs under which they choose to graduate.

- For students who wish to change from a pre-2011 catalog to a later catalog, a course taken prior to 2011 that is subsequently approved for the current General Education curriculum will satisfy the requirement for which it becomes approved.

\*Study Abroad and National Student Exchange are not considered breaks in continuous enrollment



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