

Nova Southeastern University Policy

Administrative Area(s):	Academic Colleges and Administrative Units
Applicability:	Deans, Directors, Department Chairs, Faculty, and Administrators
Scope:	Degree Rescission Policy
Publication:	Student Catalogs, Student Handbooks, and the University Registrar Webpage
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Purpose

This policy outlines the protocols for the rescission of a conferred and awarded degree from Nova Southeastern University.

Policy

Nova Southeastern University (NSU) awards degrees on the basis of the successful completion of all academic and program requirements and in accordance with NSU's Code of Conduct requiring academic honesty and integrity. NSU reserves the right to rescind a degree in the event there are findings of academic misconduct, fraud, or other violations committed by a student in completing and/or obtaining the degree. The Dean or designee of the college or school that oversees the degree program is essential in determining the discovery and receipt of credible information for review or investigation and will follow the protocols outlined in the applicable student catalog and handbook. The rescission recommendation is presented to the Provost and President for review and support. The decision to rescind the degree is the responsibility of the President of the University with the approval of the NSU Board of Trustees.

Once the decision to rescind a degree has been approved by the NSU Board of Trustees, the following will occur.

1. The Provost will communicate the actions required to formally rescind the degree and will provide the University Registrar, with a copy to the Dean, written authorization to proceed as follows:

- a. Send a certified U.S.P.S letter to the individual informing him or her of the university's decision to rescind the degree and request return of the diploma he or she received from the university.
- b. Remove the degree conferred status and date from the individual's academic record, the official transcript, and in all other pertinent educational records maintained in the student information system (current and archive).
- c. Inform the College Dean, the National Student Clearinghouse, the Office of Alumni Affairs, NSU Libraries (if applicable for publications), and, if applicable, any local, state, national, or international agency of the degree rescission so that their records are revised to reflect this action.
- d. Enter a "Degree Rescinded" notation on the individual's academic record indicating the rescission action and the approval date of the NSU Board of Trustees.
- e. Place a University (UA) Hold on the individual's record to prevent future admissions, registration, and enrollment at the university.
- f. Ensure the Provost's written authorization and all supporting documentation are placed in the individual's permanent academic and university records.

Approvals:

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