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Full- or Part-Time Status/ Study Load

Undergraduate Students

Undergraduate students registered for 12 or more semester credits are classified as full-time students, 9-11 credits are three-quarter-time, 6-8 credits are half-time and less than 6 credits are considered part-time. To complete an undergraduate program in four years, 15 or more credits need to be completed each semester.

Credits carried at any UA unit (or any combination of UAF/UAA/UAS) are used to determine study-load hours and full-time, three-quarter-time, half-time and part-time classification. Audited courses, credit-by-examination, non-credit, continuing education units (CEUs) and professional (F500-level) courses are not included in the study-load computation.

Students in good standing may enroll in up to 18 credits in the fall and spring semesters without special permission. To enroll in more than 18 credits, a 3.0 cumulative GPA and overload approval from the student's advisor are required.

Students in good standing may enroll in up to 15 credits in the summer semester without special permission. To enroll in more than 15 credits during the summer term, a 3.0 cumulative GPA and overload approval from the student's advisor are required.

Graduate Students

Graduate students registered for 9 or more semester credits, with 3 or more at the F600 level, are classified as full-time students. Graduate students enrolled in 6-8 credits are three-quarter-time, 5 credits are half-time and less than 5 credits are considered part-time.

Credits carried at any UAF department are considered in determining study-load hours and full-time, three-quarter-time, half-time and part-time classification. Audited courses, credit-by-examination, non-credit, continuing education units (CEUs) and professional (F500-level) courses are not included in the study-load computation.

Students may enroll in up to 14 credits per semester without special permission. To enroll in 15-19 credits, a student must be in good standing and obtain an overload approval from the student's advisor and department chair. Enrollment in more than 19 graduate credits will be allowed only in extraordinary circumstances and requires good standing and overload approval from the student's advisor, department chair, college/school and the dean of the Graduate School.