

Courses

Course Loads:

To be considered a full-time student, s/he must carry a minimum load of 12 credits per term (see the required number of credits for summer full-time status under summer term for each faculty). If a full-time student wishes or is forced to reduce her/his load to fewer than 12 credits, the issue must first be referred to the appropriate faculty committee.

Students can normally register for up to 17 credits per term and 9 credits during the summer term. Students in the following categories must petition the appropriate faculty committee but are normally granted permission to register for more than 17 credits:

- Freshman students intending to go into medicine or engineering, and who have an average of at least 80 (GPA: 3.2) in the first term, may take an additional course in the second term.
- Junior and senior (third and fourth year in the professional schools) students who have completed their English communication skills requirements at the level required by their major departments may register for a maximum of 18 credits per term (a maximum of 19 credits per regular term in MSFEA).

In all other cases, students who wish to register for more than 17 credits must petition the appropriate faculty committee for permission to do so. Their requests are handled on a case-by-case basis.

The credit load in a regular term of a student who continues to be on probation beyond one term or is placed on three non-consecutive probations shall neither be fewer than 12 nor more than 13 credit hours.

Repeating Courses:

A student who fails a required course must repeat the course at the earliest opportunity. No course may be taken more than three times including withdrawals from the course. When a course is repeated, the highest grade is considered in the calculation of the cumulative average. All course grades remain in a student's permanent record.

Withdrawal from courses:

Students can withdraw from only one required course per term. Students who wish to withdraw from more than one required course in any given term must petition the appropriate faculty committee for permission.

Students can withdraw from elective courses, down to a minimum of 12 credits, no later than 12 weeks (six weeks in the summer term) from the start of the term. Students receive a grade of 'W' for the course.

At least 40% of the overall course assessment is expected to be issued by the instructor before the last day of withdrawal.