

ACADEMIC POLICIES

STUDENT LOAD

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The maximum academic load for any student, without specific approval from the appropriate Executive Dean, shall be:

1. For fall or spring sixteen (16) week semesters - 19 credit hours
2. For fall or spring eight (8) week semesters – no more than 9 credit hours per session
3. For a twelve (12) week summer session - 14 credit hours
4. For six (6) week summer sessions, - 7 credit hours.
5. For any semester shorter than six weeks a student may take no more than the equivalent of one credit hour per class week.

The maximum academic load for certain cohort programs, such as Fire Science, may exceed these limits.

OVERLOAD EXCEPTIONS

Exceptional students, whose grade point average exceeds 3.0, may take up to 21 hours in the fall or spring semester or seven (7) hours in a six week summer semester not to exceed 14 hours for the entire summer, excluding mini-mester courses.

Approval of the exception must be in writing from the appropriate Executive Dean.