



Broward
Community
College

Policy Manual

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To be considered full-time, students must carry a minimum load of 12 credit hours per academic term or an equivalent number of clock hours for an educational program using clock hours. Usually the Offices of Social Security, Railroad Retirement, and Veterans Administration consider 12 credit hours a full load for determining subsistence. The maximum load which may normally be carried is 18 credit hours per academic term or an equivalent number of clock hours. However, students who make a quality point average of 3.2 or above may carry an extra course, but in no event shall the maximum load exceed 21 credit hours per academic term or an equivalent number of clock hours. The maximum load for Term IIIA or IIIB is 9 credit hours or an equivalent number of clock hours; the normal load is 6 credit hours or an equivalent number of clock hours.

Last Term of Residence. If the student must have the hours in order to graduate, a student in the last term of residence prior to graduation may carry an overload even though his/her grade point average is not high enough under the above policy. In no event should the student enroll for more than 21 credit hours, except with the approval of the Academic Standards Committee.

[Link to Procedure A6Hx2-4.02](#)

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