

## Policy: 2.05

### Student Classification

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#### Purpose

To define student classification and credit hour enrollment definitions and limits.

#### Policy Statement

Students enrolled at the College are classified as freshmen, sophomores, or special students.

*Freshmen* - enrolled in or have earned from 0-29 semester hours of college credit.

*Sophomores* - enrolled in or have earned 30 to 59 semester hours.

*Special students* - earned 60 semester hours or more of college credit.

The following designations will apply for students enrolled in full semester courses:

*Overload* – Students enrolled in more than 18 semester credit hours

*Full-time* – Students enrolled in 12-18 semester credit hours

*Three-quarter* – Students enrolled in 9-11 semester credit hours

*Half-time* – Students enrolled in 6-8 semester credit hours

*Less than half-time* – Students enrolled in fewer than 6 semester credit hours

Note: For enrollment verification purposes, students enrolled in Health Professions programs may be considered full-time even if not currently enrolled in 12 college credit hours. This does not impact federal financial aid regulations.

8-week terms and Summer Session:

*Overload* – Students enrolled in more than 9 semester credit hours

*Full-time* – Students enrolled in 6-9 semester credit hours

*Half-time* – Students enrolled in 3-5 semester credit hours

*Less than half-time* – Students enrolled in fewer than 3 semester credit hours

Students are not permitted to enroll in more than 18 credit hours during a regular semester, nor in more than 9 hours in the summer or eight-week term, without permission from the appropriate academic dean.

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