

Undergraduate Course Load Policy

An undergraduate must enroll for 12 or more hours during a semester or summer term to be considered full-time for athletic, financial aid, loan and insurance purposes. The maximum load for students in undergraduate curricula is 18 hours during the semester, 7 semester hours during the 5-week session, and 14 hours during the 10-week session or any combination of summer sessions.

The maximum load may be exceeded under the following circumstances:

On approval of the dean, students may schedule overloads not to exceed 22 hours during the semester or 17 hours during the summer terms or 9 hours during a 5-week session. To be eligible for an overload, students must have passed all work attempted and earned a GPA of 2.5 or higher during their last semester at Auburn University in which they carried 15 or more hours (10 or more in their last summer). In determining whether to approve an overload exceeding these hour limits, the student's academic dean will consider the student's academic history, including grades and the number of courses taken in the past. Deans (or their designees) must seek approval from the Provost's designee for overloads greater than the limit of 22 hours during the semester or 17 hours during the summer terms or 9 hours during a 5-week session.

International Students are required to be enrolled as full-time students during the academic year and are subject to special full-time enrollment regulations. They may NOT drop below the full-time course loads without prior written authorization from the Office of International Education. Dropping below full course loads without prior Office of International Programs (OIP) approval can subject international students to termination of their immigration status therefore international students and academic advisors must check with OIP PRIOR TO modifying full-time course loads for international students.

Revised: 10/3/18