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CREDIT LOAD MAXIMUM

Undergraduates:

The normal load for full-time undergraduate students is 15 credits per quarter. A minimum of 12 credits is required for full-time status. Students may take up to 18 credits per quarter. In order to allow highly capable students to broaden their education by taking courses outside of their program requirements, Seattle University has developed the following policy for students wishing to take more than 18 credits in any term:

Students who have a sophomore standing or above and have earned a minimum 3.50 CUM GPA at Seattle University, may take up to 20 credits per quarter. Permission to take more than 20 credits is granted by the Associate Dean or Undergraduate Director using the *Petition to the Dean* form and submitted to the Registrar's Office for processing.

Graduates:

The normal load for full-time graduate students is 9 credits per quarter. A minimum of 6 credits is required for full-time status for non-international students. A minimum of 9 credits per quarter is required for international students. Permission is required to take more than 12 credits per quarter. Permission to take more than 12 credits is granted by the Associate Dean or Graduate Director using the *Petition to the Dean* form and submitted to the Registrar's Office for processing.

Exceptions to the graduate policy are:

- 1. The MIT program
- 2. The Nursing Immersion Programs
- 3. Educational Leadership (in some cases approval for full-time status is granted with less than 6 credits Policy 77-5)
- 4. Schools may require their students to take fewer than 12 credits per term (See individual school policies)

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