

INSTRUCTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS
COURSE LOAD AND SCHEDULES

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(LOCAL)

COURSE LOAD

The normal course load for the fall or spring semester shall be 15 semester hours. Course loads in excess of 16 semester hours shall require approval by the vice president for student ~~services~~ **affairs**. The maximum course load shall be no more than 21 semester hours.

The normal course load for the summer session shall be six semester hours for each six-week term or 12 semester hours for a full summer semester. Course loads in excess of six semester hours per term or 12 semester hours per summer semester shall require approval by the vice president for student ~~services~~ **affairs**. The maximum summer credit hours earned shall be eight semester hours for one term or 16 semester hours for a full summer semester.

LIMITATION ON
NUMBER OF
DROPPED COURSES

A College District student shall not be permitted to drop more than six courses taken while enrolled at the College District or another public institution of higher education.

EXCEPTIONS FOR
GOOD CAUSE

A student shall be permitted to exceed the limit on the number of dropped courses for any of the following reasons:

1. A severe illness or other debilitating condition that affects the student's ability to satisfactorily complete a course;
2. The care of a sick, injured, or needy person if providing that care affects the student's ability to satisfactorily complete a course;
3. The death of a member of the student's family;
4. The death of a person who has a sufficiently close relationship to the student;
5. The student's active military duty service;
6. The active military service of a member of the student's family or a person who has a sufficiently close relationship to the student; or
7. A change in the student's work schedule that is beyond the student's control and affects the student's ability to satisfactorily complete the course.

PROCEDURES

The College President shall develop procedures to implement this policy and shall publish the procedures in the College District catalog.