

BLINN COLLEGE ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS MANUAL

SUBJECT: *Student Per-Term Credit Hour Limits*

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 11, 2018

BOARD POLICY REFERENCE: ECC

PURPOSE

The College District recognizes that student success is its primary purpose in providing courses and programs of study. To facilitate student success, the College District sets limits on the number of per-semester credit hours, in general, that a student may carry each term. Any student who wishes to register for credit hours in excess of the set limits may request permission to do so by completing the Student Services excess hours form and submitting the form to the appropriate administrators for approval.

LIMIT ON STUDENT SEMESTER HOURS CARRIED PER TERM

The College District limits the number of student semester credit hours a student may carry each term. In an effort to provide students an accelerated path to program completion, Blinn College permits students to carry semester credit hours, as follows:

May Mini-Semester Term – 3 Semester Credit Hours

Summer I Term – 9 Semester Credit Hours

Summer II Term – 9 Semester Credit Hours

Combined Summer Total – 18 Semester Credit Hours

Fall I Eight-Week Term – 9 Semester Credit Hours

Fall II Eight-Week Term – 9 Semester Credit Hours

Fall Sixteen-Week Term – 18 Semester Credit Hours

Combined Fall Total – 18 Semester Credit Hours

Winter Mini-Semester Term – 3 Semester Credit Hours

Spring I Eight-Week Term – 9 Semester Credit Hours

Spring II Eight-Week Term – 9 Semester Credit Hours

Spring Sixteen-Week Term – 18 Semester Credit Hours

Combined Spring Total – 18 Semester Credit Hours

REQUEST FOR EXCESS HOURS

If a student wishes to register for credit hours in excess of the per-semester limits, the student must complete the form provided by Student Services and submit the completed form to the respective instructional dean(s) for review and approval. If the instructional dean approves the student's request, he or she will then forward the request to the appropriate Vice Chancellor for final review and approval. Students must maintain satisfactory academic progress to be eligible to carry hours above the per-semester limits.