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## **Class Standing**

Class standing is determined by the number of earned credits a student has completed. In-progress credits do not count toward standing. Class levels are defined as:

Freshman	23 or fewer earned credits
Sophomore	24 to 53 earned credits
Junior	54 to 83 earned credits
Senior	84 or more earned credits

## Credit Hour (https://www.uwgb.edu/provost/policies/credit-hour.asp)

A credit hour is an amount of work represented in intended student learning outcomes and verified by evidence of student achievement that is an institutionally-established equivalency that reasonably approximates not less than one hour of classroom or direct faculty instruction and a minimum of two hours of out-of-class student work each week for approximately fourteen weeks for one semester, or the equivalent amount of work over a different amount of time, or the equivalent amount of work for other activities as established by the University including but not limited to graduate work, internships, practica, studio work, and other academic work leading toward the awarding of credit hours.

## **Credit Load**

Total amount of credits a student is enrolled in at a given time in a term, for example, after initial registration or at the end of a semester. All credits, regardless of grading status, count toward credit load for certain purposes.

- Maximum Credit Load: A student in good standing may register for a maximum of 18 credits during any regular session of fall, spring or summer semester and may register for a maximum of six credits in the January semester, no exceptions. A student who wants to enroll in more than 18 credits in fall, spring or summer semester must obtain written approval in advance from their faculty or academic advisor using the credit overload petition. Once approved, course(s) enrollment can be completed. Additional tuition and fees will apply. No overload petitions are accepted for the January semester.
- Minimum Credit Load: A specific minimum number of credits (excluding audit credits) that a student must carry to be eligible for certain programs and benefits. A student may register for or reduce a program below 12 credits in a semester with the understanding that for certain purposes he or she will be considered a part-time student. A student who reduces the credit load below 12 credits should check with the appropriate offices about the effect on financial aid, government benefits, athletic eligibility, health insurance coverage, and other programs with credit load eligibility limits.

## **Educational Status**

#### **Degree-Seeking:**

A degree-seeking student is enrolled in a program of study and plans to earn an Associate or Bachelor degree at the undergraduate level.

## **Special Student:**

A special student is not seeking a degree, but taking courses. Status impacts the admissions process and financial aid eligibility.

# Enrollment Status (full time, part time)

Enrollment status is based on number of credits enrolled. Status impacts financial aid eligibility and tuition/fees.

Full Time	12 credits
Three-Quarter Time	9-11 credits

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Half Time	6-8 credits
Less than Half Time	1-5 credits

### Student

The University of Wisconsin-Green Bay defines a student as any individual who is currently enrolled, or was enrolled, in a credit bearing course at the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay.