

Title : **Course Overload**
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The typical academic load varies from 15 to 18 credit (semester) hours. Students carrying a minimum of 12 credit hours are considered full-time students for financial aid, residency, and scholarship purposes.

Students are allowed to register for an “overload”—defined as more than 18 credit hours of “Regular Semester” courses other than those designated as “Open Entry/Open Exit” or “Short Term” courses less than a semester in length—contingent upon the following criteria. For purposes of overload consideration, “Activity/Personal Enrichment Courses” are not included in the number of credits to be examined.

- Students may enroll for an overload of up to 22 credit hours if they have completed a minimum of 12 credits at Eastern Arizona College with a cumulative GPA of 2.75 or higher.
- Students who have not completed, but are currently enrolled in, a minimum of 12 credits at Eastern Arizona College must petition to enroll for an overload of up to 22 credits for the subsequent semester contingent upon completion of their courses currently in progress with a GPA of 2.75 or better. At the end of the semester, if the cumulative GPA for the courses in progress is less than 2.75, students will be administratively withdrawn from those course(s) requested in their petition. Students may also be subject to other points of enforcement surrounding academic standards.
- Students who have completed at least 12 credits at Eastern Arizona College with a cumulative GPA of 2.25 through 2.7499 must petition the Admissions and Academic Standards Committee for approval to register for an overload.
- Students with cumulative GPAs less than 2.25 will not be considered for overloads unless evidence is provided showing that impending graduation requirements cannot otherwise be met.
- First-time students and first-semester transfer students to Eastern Arizona College must petition the Admissions and Academic Standards committee for an overload of up to 22 credits. An official transcript from either the high school or transfer institution must be on file.
- Students seeking to enroll in more than 22 credits for a regular semester must petition the Admissions and Academic Standards committee for additional overload consideration.

