

ENROLLMENT STATUS AND DEFINITION OF AN ACADEMIC YEAR

Your enrollment status can impact financial aid eligibility.

The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs may have different definitions for full-time and part-time status. You should consult the University's Certifying Official if you are receiving veterans benefits.

Undergraduate

An academic year consists of three terms of instruction, during which a full-time student will complete at least 36 credit hours. Thus, enrollment status is defined as:

- Full-time: 12 credit hours per term
- Three-quarter-time: 9 credit hours per term
- Half-time: 6 credit hours per term

Graduate, Standard Programs (10-week schedules)

An academic year consists of 30 weeks, during which a full-time student will complete 24 credit hours. Thus, enrollment status is defined as:

- Full-time: 8 credit hours per term
- Three-quarter-time: 6 credit hours per term
- Half-time: 4 credit hours per term

Graduate, Nonstandard Programs (12- week schedules)

An academic year consists of 36 weeks, during which a full-time student will complete 24 credit hours. Each 12-week term comprises two sequential 6-week sessions. Thus, enrollment status is defined as:

- Full-time: 8 credit hours per term
- Three-quarter-time: 6 credit hours per term
- Half-time: 4 credit hours per term