

Student Rules and Regulations Committee

Proposal to Revise Rules

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RULE WITH PROPOSED CHANGES:

1.7 A full-time undergraduate student is defined as one who is enrolled for at least 12 semester hours during a fall or spring semester, ~~four hours in a five-week summer term~~ and eight hours in a ~~10-week~~ summer semester. Full-time enrollment for federal financial aid is always defined as 12 semester credit hours, including the summer term (all sessions combined). A Q grade or W grade does not count toward the certification of enrollment status. Only hours for which a student is currently enrolled at Texas A&M University can be used toward certification of enrollment. During his or her last semester prior to graduation, if an undergraduate student is enrolled at Texas A&M in all remaining hours needed to complete his or her degree and has applied for graduation, he or she may be certified as a full-time student for that final semester even though he or she may be enrolled in less than 12 semester hours during a fall or spring semester, ~~four hours in a five-week summer term~~ or eight hours in a ~~10-week~~ summer semester. Students participating in student teaching, internships, and cooperative education programs who are enrolled in less than 12 hours during a fall or spring semester, ~~four hours in a five-week summer term~~ or eight hours in a ~~10-week~~ summer semester may be eligible to be certified as a full-time student with the approval of the Dean of the College or his or her designee.

1.8 A full-time graduate student is defined as one who is registered for nine semester hours during a fall or spring semester, ~~three hours in a five-week summer term~~ and six hours in a ~~10-week~~ summer semester. ~~In addition, if a student is registered for at least one hour for the 10-week session and a total of six hours in any combination of 5-week sessions and the 10-week session, the student is considered full-time for the 10-week session.~~ Full-time enrollment for federal financial aid is always defined as 9 semester credit hours, including the summer term (all sessions combined). A Q grade or W grade does not count toward the certification of enrollment status. During his or her last semester prior to graduation, if a graduate student is enrolled at Texas A&M in all remaining hours needed to complete his or her degree, has applied for graduation and does not hold a graduate assistantship, he or she may be certified as a full-time student for that final semester even though he or she may be enrolled in less than nine semester hours during a fall or spring semester, ~~three hours in a five-week summer term~~ or six hours in a ~~10-week~~ summer semester. Students participating in student teaching, internships, and cooperative education programs who are enrolled in less than nine semester hours during a fall or spring semester, ~~three hours in a five-week summer term~~ or six hours in a ~~10-week~~ summer semester may be eligible to be certified as a full-time student with the approval of the Dean of the College or his or her designee.

JUSTIFICATION FOR PROPOSED CHANGE:

These changes are requested in order to bring the rule in line with the way in which Student Financial Aid defines time-status in regard to the combined summer session and with what is currently being done for fall and spring semesters. All parts of term are associated with one regular semester (fall, spring, or summer), and therefore, should be counted as a total in determining time status.

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COMMENTS:

- Approved by the Student Rules and Regulations Committee on 4/16/2010.

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EDITORIAL CHANGE REQUEST:

Change wording from Grade Point Ratio, including the abbreviation GPR, to the wording used with the Student Information System (Compass), which is **Grade Point Average**, including the abbreviation **GPA**.

Change instances of wording from SIMS to Compass.

Change instances of wording from <https://myrecord.tamu.edu> to <https://howdy.tamu.edu>

JUSTIFICATION FOR PROPOSED CHANGE:

Editorial changes to align wording with terms used in the COMPASS Student Information System.

COMMENTS:

- Approved by the Student Rules and Regulations Committee on 4/16/2010.
- [Approved by Faculty Senate on 6/14/2010.](#)
- [Approved by President Loftin on 7/1/2010.](#)

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