

ACADEMIC LOAD

Every college course is assumed to involve a significant amount of non-contact hours for out-of-class student learning and reflection. In accordance with Texas Administrative Code (TAC), Title 19, Part 1, Chapter 4, and to ensure the quality of student learning, TVCC students are not allowed to carry more courses in any term (that is, regular or shortened semester) than would allow them to earn more than one semester credit hour per week over the course of the term. For example, in a five-and-a-half-week summer term, students should not generally be allowed to enroll for more than six semester credit hours.

The normal course load for the fall or spring semester shall be 15 semester hours. Course loads above 18 semester hours shall require approval by the Vice President of Instruction. The maximum course load shall be no more than 22 semester hours.

The normal course load for the summer session shall be six semester hours for each six-week session or 12 semester hours for a full summer term. Course loads above six semester hours per six-week session or 12 semester hours per summer term shall require approval by the Vice President of Instruction. The maximum summer credit hours earned shall be eight semester hours per six week session or 16 semester hours for a full summer term.

The college may limit the course load of a student on probation to fewer hours in required courses if deemed necessary by the Academic Review Board (<https://coursecatalog.tvcc.edu/academic-regulations/grades/academic-probation-suspension/>).