


**DIVISION II  
PROGRESS TOWARD DEGREE**



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**AREAS OF FOCUS**

- Good Academic Standing
- Term-by-Term Credit-Hour Requirement
- Annual Credit-Hour Requirement
- Grade-Point Average
- Designation of Degree
- Exceptions
- What's Changing and When?



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**REMINDERS**

- Feel free to ask questions.
- Staff will be available to answer institution specific questions after the session.
- Case studies include the names of famous puzzle people!

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### GOOD ACADEMIC STANDING

- Based on institutional policy.
- First piece of certification process.
- Participation in extra curricular activities.



NCAA Bylaws 14.01.2.1 and 14.02.6

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### TERM-BY-TERM CREDIT-HOUR REQUIREMENT

- Minimum of **SIX** credits per full-time term.
- Can include credit from another institution provided certain requirements are met.
- Includes transfer students.



Bylaw 14.4.3.1-(a)  
4/13/05 Staff Interpretation

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### ANNUAL CREDIT-HOUR REQUIREMENT

#### ACTUAL METHOD

**24-semester/36-quarter hours**

- Since the previous fall or previous two semesters/three quarters.

OR

#### AVERAGING METHOD

**12-semester/quarter hours**

- Per term during each academic year in which the SA was enrolled full time at any point.



Bylaw 14.4.3.1-(b)

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### AVERAGING METHOD

- Can **ONLY** be used for certification going into the fall term.
- If a SA is enrolled full time at any point during an academic year, both regular terms **MUST** be counted in the denominator regardless of enrollment status.
- Part-time hours may be used, provided that term is also counted in the denominator.
- May include summer hours.
- **Fall 2015** is last chance to use it!




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### 75/25 RULE

Hours earned during the regular academic year:

- A SA shall earn no less than 75 percent of the minimum number of semester/quarter hours required during the academic year.
- No more than 25 percent may be earned during the summer.



Bylaw 14.4.3.1.4

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### GRADE-POINT AVERAGE

- Based on total number of credits completed:

Credit Hours Completed (Semester/Quarter)	Required GPA
24/36	1.800
48/72	1.900
72/108	2.000
96/144	2.000



Bylaw 14.4.3.2

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### DESIGNATION OF DEGREE

- A SA must designate a major by the beginning of the fifth semester or seventh quarter of collegiate enrollment.
- During the first two years of enrollment, credits used to certify progress toward degree may count toward any degree program.
- Beginning in year three, all credits used must be degree applicable.

Bylaw 14.4.3.1.5

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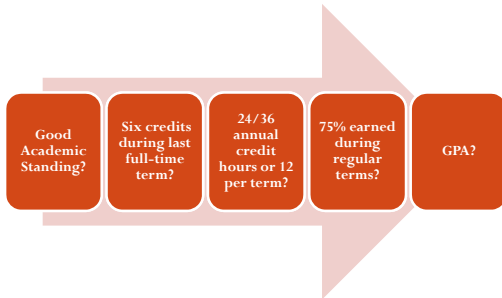
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### PROGRESSION OF CERTIFICATION



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### EXCEPTIONS AND CASE STUDIES



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### EXCEPTIONS

- Missed term;
- Midyear enrollment;
- Nonrecruited, nonparticipant;
- Graduate student; and
- Two-year nonparticipation.

Bylaw 14.4.3.4

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### CASE STUDY – ELAINE LEWIS

- Elaine Lewis is a swimmer who initially enrolled full time at your institution during fall 2012.

TERM	CREDITS EARNED
FALL 2012 - FT	10
SPRING 2013 - FT	14
FALL 2013 - FT	12
SPRING 2014 - PT	8
SUMMER 2014	3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>47</b>

- Does Elaine satisfy credit-hour requirements?

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### CASE STUDY – ELAINE

- Elaine is in good academic standing at your institution.

TERM	CREDITS EARNED
FALL 2012 - FT	10
SPRING 2013 - FT	14
FALL 2013 - FT	12
SPRING 2014 - PT	8
SUMMER 2014	3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>47</b>

- Otherwise eligible for fall 2014?
  - Actual method?
  - Averaging method?
  - Any other options?

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### CASE STUDY – MATS WALK

- Mats Walk is an international track and field SA from Australia.
- Transferred to your institution at midyear.

Terms	Enrolled	Credits	GPA
SP 2013	FT	10	N/A
FA 2013	FT	12	N/A
SP 2014	FT	11	N/A
FA 2014	FT	12	N/A
SP 2015	FT	8	1.8
SU 2015	PT	6	2.5
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>45</b>	<b>2.1</b>

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### CASE STUDY – MATS

Terms	Enrolled	Credits	GPA
SP 2013	FT	10	N/A
FA 2013	FT	12	N/A
SP 2014	FT	11	N/A
FA 2014	FT	12	N/A
SP 2015	FT	8	1.8
SU 2015	PT	6	2.5
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>45</b>	<b>2.1</b>

**Mats eligible for fall 2015?**

- Good academic standing.
- Midyear enrollee.
  - Prorated 12.
- 75/25 rule.
  - Excludes credit earned at previous institutions.

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### CASE STUDY – WILL SHORTZ

- Will is a soccer SA who completed his fourth full-time semester during 2015 spring.
- Will advised to enroll in two summer school courses (six semester hours) during 2015 summer.
- Will presents the following academic record at the start of the 2015 fall term...

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### CASE STUDY – WILL

Terms	Enrolled	Credits	GPA
FA 2013	FT	10	2.0
SP 2014	FT	14	1.9
FA 2014	FT	12	1.85
SP 2015	FT	9	2.0
SU 2015	PT	3	2.0
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>48</b>	<b>1.933</b>

- Will completes his two summer courses.
- Only one summer grade posts prior to the first day of class.

Is Will eligible for the 2015 soccer season?

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### CASE STUDY – WILL

- Two weeks after the start of the 2015 fall term, Will's other summer grade posts, he earns a 'D'.
- Will's cumulative GPA becomes 1.830.
- Can Will keep playing soccer?

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### CASE STUDY – HOWARD GARNES

- Howard, a swimmer at your institution, spent his first two years of college taking a range of courses.
- Howard declares Science Education as his degree program.
- Howard's academic advisor suggests he retake BIO 101.

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### CASE STUDY – HOWARD

- Howard retakes BIO 101 and earns a ‘B’.
  - Initially earned a C- during his freshman year.
- Can BIO 101 now be used to meet progress toward degree?
  - Interdisciplinary Studies accepts course as an elective.
  - Science Education requires a grade of C or better.
  - Howard earned 30 credits of nonremedial coursework during his freshman year.

Bylaws 14.4.3.1.6 and 14.4.3.3.7

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### CASE STUDY – ARTHUR

- Arthur Wynne is a football SA at another four-year institution.
- Arthur graduates at the conclusion of the 2015 spring term (his eighth full-time term).
- Arthur has one season of football eligibility left.
- Arthur plans to enroll part time at your institution during the 2015 fall term, full time during the 2016 spring term, and then use his last full-time term of enrollment to compete during the 2016 fall term.

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### CASE STUDY – ARTHUR

- Does this work?
- Yes!
  - Arthur graduated from his previous four-year institution, therefore, is not subject to a year in residence.
 

Bylaw 14.1.8.1
  - Additionally, a graduate student is not subject to progress-toward-degree requirements.
 

Bylaw 14.4.3.4-(d)

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**QUESTIONS?**

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**WHAT'S CHANGING AND WHEN??**  
August 1, 2016

**Term-by-Term Credit-Hour Requirement:**

- Increase from **six** credits to **nine** credits per full-time term.
- Includes transfer requirement!

**Hours Earned During the Regular Academic Year:**

- Minimum of 18 hours required.
- 75/25 rule going away.

Bylaws 14.4.3.2 and 14.4.3.3 (effective 8/1/16)

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**WHAT'S CHANGING AND WHEN??**  
August 1, 2016

**Annual Credit-Hour Requirement:**

- 24 credits per year.
- Averaging method going away.
- Cumulative 48 total after first two years.

**Grade Point Average:**

- 2.0.

Bylaws 14.4.3.4 and 14.4.3.5 (effective 8/1/16)

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### WHAT'S STAYING THE SAME??

- Good academic standing.
- Designation of degree.
- Death and taxes.

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### REMINDERS:

- Educate yourself – Knowledge is power!
- <http://www.ncaa.org/division-ii-path-graduation>.
- Begin advising your student-athletes during 2015-16 academic year!

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### QUESTIONS?

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