The normal course load for a full-time, on-campus student is four or five courses (12 or 15 credits) per trimester. The typical course load for a student enrolled in an online degree program is two or three courses (6 or 9 credits) per quarter. International students with a student visa must register for a minimum of three courses (9 credits) to be in compliance with the requirements of the F1 visa.

On-campus part-time students usually take two courses (6 credits) per trimester (and online degree program part-time students usually take one to two courses, or 3 to 6 credits, per quarter), but course loads vary depending upon a student’s responsibilities outside the program. A student must register for at least 6 credits to be eligible for loans. Students employed full-time are advised to register for no more than three courses (9 credits) per term.