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Dear Colleagues:

The attached proposal to change the number of credit hours for which a student can register without receiving an override will be an agenda item for the April 23, 2021, Full University Curriculum Committee meeting. This proposal was approved by the Educational Affairs Committee on March 22, 2021.

Sincerely,

John Maerz, Chair University Curriculum Committee

cc: Provost S. Jack Hu Dr. Rahul Shrivastav



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March 15, 2021

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Dear Colleagues:

The attached proposal to change the number of credit hours for which a student can register without receiving an override will be an agenda item for the March 22, 2021, full Educational Affairs Committee meeting.

Sincerely,

Annette Poulsen, Chair Educational Affairs Committee

cc: Provost S. Jack Hu Dr. Rahul Shrivastav

Proposal to change the number of credit hours for which a student can register without receiving an override

Current practice for Credit Limits:

Maximum number of hours for which undergraduate students may register without administrative approval: **17**

Undergraduate students may register for a maximum of 17 hours during the fall, spring, and summer. Professional students and graduate students should refer to their respective bulletins for minimum/maximum course loads policies.

Students may request a change in credit limit by obtaining approval from their advisors.

Proposed practice for Credit Limits:

Maximum number of hours for which undergraduate students may register without administrative approval: **18**

Undergraduate students may register for a maximum of 18 hours during the fall, spring, and summer. Professional students and graduate students should refer to their respective bulletins for minimum/maximum course loads policies.

Students may request a change in credit limit by obtaining approval from their advisors.

Justification:

The current practice requires students to request and obtain an override to register for 18 or more hours in a semester. This request is made to the advisor who submits a form to the Registrar's Office, who will process the request manually in Banner. The data below shows that a significant number of requests are processed each semester. This current process can result in a delay in students being able to register for required courses and a possible delay in time to graduation.

The below table breaks down the number of overrides granted to register for 18 hours and over for the given academic year.

	2018-2019	2019-2020	2020-2021
18 hours registered	981	1124	1108
19 hours registered	367	355	348
20 hours registered	116	114	131
21 hours registered	68	88	79