

Course Overload

The individual engineering curricula are comprised of appropriately sequenced course groupings referred to as "regular semester course loads." Each semester can have a different credit and course load. Students may not take more than 19.5 credits in a semester without approval. More than 19.5 credits is considered a course or credit overload. An overload is generally approved for a maximum of one course or four credits provided that:

1. A first-year student has permission from the office of the Associate Dean for Undergraduate Affairs. Normally, only second-semester first-year students with a GPA of at least 3.5 are permitted to overload, or
2. An upperclassman has approval from their advisor and Department Chair. A GPA of at least 3.0 is required in this case.

In addition to the requirements above, an overload is generally only approved for the pursuit of a minor or second major, ROTC purposes, and for adjusting schedules to accommodate study abroad, if needed.

Students wishing to request permission to overload must complete the Course Overload Request form. [The form can be found on the Current Engineering Undergraduate Students Intranet site.](#)