Policy: **Academic Credit Hour Load**

**Policy Number:** A-2

**Responsibility for Policy:** Academic & Student Affairs

**Most recent approval date:** Fall 2014

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**Policy Statement**
Finger Lakes Community College students may register for a maximum of 18 credit hours during the fall/spring semester. Summer session students may register for a maximum of 12 credits with no more than six (6) credit hours taken in one session. Winter Session students may register for a maximum of 6 credits.

Registration for more than the maximum credit load is allowed only under special circumstances. The student’s advisor and the Associate Vice President of Instruction and Assessment must approve the request after certification of the student’s grade point average and credit hours by the One Stop Center. Additionally, an overload fee may be charged.

Students are able to adjust their credit hour load by adding or dropping courses or withdrawing from all courses. Students must adhere to the specific deadlines published in the academic calendar when adding, dropping, or withdrawing.

**Reason for Policy**
This policy sets forth the maximum course load for which students may register. It is designed to ensure students are successful in their college courses.

**Applicability of the Policy**
This policy applies to all FLCC credit students.

**Definitions**
None

**Related Document**
- FLCC College Catalog
- Overload Petition

**Forms/Online Processes**
- None

**Appendix**
- None

**Review date/action taken (requires Board of Trustees approval):**
- September 2011: original approval date
- Fall 2012: revisions approved by the Board of Trustees
- Fall 2014: non-substantive revision