

Winter/Summer Credit Limits

Academic Policies Committee

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On September 23, 2010, the APC was requested to consider the following question from Melanie Perreault:

Right now, students are limited to 7 credits in Winter, which is reflective of an older curriculum model where students could take a lab and a non-lab course. But since Fulton has gone to 4 credits, and lots of math courses (and others) are 4 credits, perhaps we should revisit this and discuss whether an 8 credit limit is more appropriate?

At a meeting on September 28, 2010, the APC discussed this issue, and communicated its recommendations informally to its Senate representative (who was unable to attend the meeting) by e-mail on September 30, 2010. Given the time-intensive nature of Winter and Summer courses (and not forgetting that three hours of work outside of class for every hour in the classroom is suggested), the APC would recommend that the limit of 7 credit-hours be maintained for Winter and Summer terms, but that students have the option to seek approval for additional credits from their advisors and Deans, as they would for the Fall/Spring credit limits.