**How many credit hours should I take?**

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**Information about Holds**

- **Advising Hold**, students must contact the Advising Center to register or make schedule changes, 970.248.1177.
- **Business Office Hold**, students must contact the Accounting Office, 970.248.1567.
- **College Opportunity Fund Hold**, students need to apply for COF, authorize COF or contact the Registrar’s Office, 970.248.1555.
- **LASSI Hold**, students must take the LASSI assessment in the MAVzone. The hold will automatically be removed once the assessment is taken.
- **Medical Incomplete Hold**, students must contact the Registrar’s Office or may sign a waiver if they have personal beliefs opposed to immunizations.
- **Undeclared Major Hold**, students must see an advisor or declare a major before the hold can be removed.

**Advising & Registration Checklist** (For each semester)

- Check holds, major and advisor on MAVzone
- Take care of any holds
- Declare major/minor if needed
- Get a catalog from Advising Center or the Registrar’s Office (in Lowell Heiny Hall)
- Review catalog and course listings on MAVzone
- Get transcripts from MAVzone or Registrar’s Office
- Fill out Program Sheet to see what requirements you’ve completed and what you have left to complete
- Meet with your faculty advisor, or if undecided, with an academic advisor in the Advising Center to determine which classes you need
- Schedule major-related courses or pre-requisite courses first
- Fill in holes with Gen. Ed. courses
- Make sure your schedule meets requirements: credit-hours, times, location, etc.

**Terminology**

- **Co-requisites**: Two courses that must be registered for at the same time (BIOL 101L, co-req. with BIOL 101).
- **Credit or Semester hour**: The number of credits awarded for a class; usually corresponds to the amount of time you will spend in the classroom.
- **Gen-Eds**: General Education classes are required lower division classes for Associates and Bachelors degrees.
- **Blended Class**: A class that meets in person and online.
- **J-Term**: Two-week term in January.
- **Lower Division Class**: A 100 or 200 level course.
- **Mod**: A half semester class (either first half or second half).
- **Pre-requisite**: A course that must be taken prior to taking another course (ENGL 111, pre-req. for ENGL 112).
- **Program Sheet**: A list of required courses that are needed to complete a specific degree program.
- **Semester**: The academic year is broken up into three semesters, Spring, Fall and Summer.
- **Upper Division Class**: A 300 or 400 level course.