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Classification of Students

Freshmen are students with fewer than 25 credits of completed semester hours. Sophomores are students with 25 or more credits of completed semester hours.

Full-time students are enrolled for 12 or more credits per semester. Part-time students are registered for fewer than 12 credits per semester.

Classified students are defined as individuals who have declared (i.e., notified the College of) a specified major. Unclassified students are enrolled for courses, but do not wish to earn a degree or certificate.

Admission to Classes

Before attending any class, students must have completed the registration procedure, which includes the payment of fees and tuition. Students who attend classes without completing the registration process will not be considered as officially enrolled. The fee receipt provided during registration will be required by instructors for admission to classes.

Change of Information

Changes in student information (major, address, name) may be made online at MyUH. A Change of Information form is also available at Admission & Records and at Outreach Centers on Molokai, Lana'i, West Maui, and Hana. Students may also consult with a counselor regarding a change to their major.

Change in Registration:
Add, Withdrawal, and Erase Period

Students may add courses up to the final day of Late Registration in each semester. Mini-courses may be added up to the start date of each mini-course. Requests to add courses after this period must be approved by the instructor of the course, and the Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs or the Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs. Forms for such action may be obtained at Student Services. See section on Tuition & Fees on page 61.

To withdraw completely from the College, students must complete a withdrawal form available at Student Services six weeks prior to the last day of instruction. No fee is charged. See page 144 for dates.

Credit Load

Students will be allowed to register for up to 16 credits. Starting the week before the first week of instruction, students may enroll for additional credits with the approval of a counselor.

Course Load

It is important for students to balance their class and study time, employment, and other commitments. The following table is a guide to students for balancing work with school.

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Repeating Courses

Students may repeat once any Maui Community College course with the instructor's permission, then may repeat a course only with the permission of the Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs. The credit from a repeated course is entered once toward the credit earned and applied only once toward a certificate or degree requirement, unless specified otherwise in the course description. All grades are reflected on the transcript, but only the highest grade is computed into the grade point average.

Students may select the grading option desired via the MyUH portal at the time of registration. They may elect to take most courses as either the graded Option I (A, B, C, D, F, W, I, L) or the Credit/No Credit Option II (CR, NC, I, W).

If students do not change the grading option, they will receive a letter grade for the course. If they wish to change the option to CR/NC or Audit, they must change it via the MyUH portal up to the deadline printed in the Schedule of Classes or on page 144. It is the responsibility of students to inform instructors of the grading option elected prior to the deadline to change grades. Without a declaration, instructors will assume that students have elected Option I.

An Incomplete (I) will be given to students who were progressing satisfactorily during the semester, but failed to complete the semester because of illness.

Final Exams

A final evaluation period is designated for the end of each semester. See the printed schedule of classes or page 144.

Grade Reports

Grade Reports are viewable online at MyUH. Requests for a hard copy may be made at Admission & Records or from the Molokai, Lana'i, West Maui, or Hana Coordinators.

Grading System

The system of grades and grade points is described below.

Option I (A-F Grading)

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or other conditions beyond the students’ control. The Incomplete will become the grade the instructor has indicated depending upon the option (I or II) selected. For example, an I/D will become a D if the work is not completed satisfactorily before the Incomplete Deadline of the next academic term. See page 144 for deadline. It is the responsibility of students to inform their instructor if they wish to take an Incomplete.

A Credit (CR) grade is equal to a D or better. Credits are awarded for CR grades, but no grade points are calculated.

An Audit (L) grade will be given to students who enroll in courses as auditors. Credits are not awarded under this option. Students must declare themselves as auditors by the deadline to select audit grade published in the Schedule of Classes, or see page 144 for deadline.

A grade point ratio (GPR) is determined by multiplying the credit received for a course by the number of grade points and dividing by the total number of credits attempted.

Note these exceptions:
1. A maximum of 30 semester credits of CR grades may be applied toward a degree program at MCC. It is strongly recommended that students take courses in their major on a letter grade basis.
2. Certain courses are designated as CR/NC only. These courses may be taken only on a credit/no-credit basis.

Note these cautions:
1. Students intending to transfer to a four-year institution should consult the catalog of that institution to determine its policy regarding acceptance of CR grades.
2. The Credit/No Credit option at UH Manoa is limited to elective courses. The CR/NC option is not allowed for any course taken to fulfill a University or College core requirement nor a Department requirement, with the exception of those courses designated Credit/No Credit only.

Students planning to transfer to UH Manoa should follow this UH Manoa policy when taking courses at MCC.

3. Scholarships are often contingent upon successful graded scholastic performance.
4. Students opting to take courses for CR/NC when the letter grade option is available are not eligible for the Dean’s Honor List.
5. No audited classes are allowed for financial aid.

Scholastic Honors
• Dean’s List
Each semester a Dean’s List is compiled recognizing students with a grade point ratio of 3.5 or better in 11 or more credits with a letter grade. The CR grade may be used only when the letter grade option is not available.

• Phi Theta Kappa
Phi Theta Kappa, a national honor society for two-year colleges, was chartered at Maui Community College in 1972 as the Psi Sigma chapter. Its objectives are to promote scholarship and to develop character, leadership, fellowship, and service among talented students in two-year colleges nationally and internationally.

To qualify for membership, students must have completed 12 or more credits at the College, be enrolled toward a degree, and have a grade point ratio of 3.5 or better with no F, incompletes I, or NC grade recorded for the semester.

• Graduation with Honors
Students who achieve a cumulative grade point ratio of 3.5 for credit earned at this College will receive their Degrees or Certificates of Achievement with honors. Only students who earned at least 27 credits at the College, of which at least 24 credits were taken for a letter grade, are eligible for graduation with honors.

Graduation
In order to receive a degree or certificate, students must complete the Graduation Application process. A graduation checklist outlining the requirements is available at the Counseling Center or at Admission & Records. Preparation for
graduation, including meeting all the requirements, is the responsibility of the student.

Students are required to schedule an appointment with a counselor to complete the appropriate graduation application and to make payment of degree/certificate fees at the Cashier’s Office. See page 144 for deadline.

To be eligible for “early registration priority” for graduates, students must complete the Graduation Application process in the semester prior to graduation. A commencement ceremony takes place at the end of each Spring semester.

Continuing students (with no break in enrollment) may meet the program requirements stated in the catalog for their year of entry into a program major, or they may choose to meet the requirements of any subsequent change in the program. However, students who stop-out must meet program requirements of the Catalog in effect upon their re-entry, or may choose to meet the requirements of subsequent program revisions that occurred while they were continuously enrolled.

Academic Exception
Students wishing to request an exception to program requirements as stated in the Catalog should consult with a counselor and then contact the Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs for specific application procedures.

Business Skill Placement
Students with previous keyboard training may place in a more advanced course, commensurate with their speed and skill. Upon completion of intermediate or advanced courses with grade C or better, students may initiate a request to receive credit (CR) for the lower level course(s). (Business Technology majors may not apply BUSN 121 credit to satisfy a Business elective requirement.)

Consult the Business Technology program coordinator, Ku’uipo Lum, at 984-3237 or a counselor 984-3306.

Advanced Placement
Students with knowledge and skills obtained through previous coursework or experience have several options for applying additional credit to their College programs.

2+2 Credit-by-Articulation
High school students may earn “advanced credits” by taking high school courses that are articulated with Maui Community College courses through the 2+2 Credit-by-Articulation program. Participation in the 2+2 program may enable students to shorten the length of time it takes to complete a certificate or degree from the College.

For the list of articulated courses and the procedure for receiving MCC credit for articulated high school courses, call 984-3614.

Transfer Credits
Students transferring from another institution of higher education may be allowed credit for previous academic work. It is the student’s responsibility to have official transcripts of previous work sent directly to Admission & Records by the institutions previously attended, and to apply for evaluation of transcripts for advanced standing. Applications for advanced standing are available at Student Services.

Advanced Standing
The College offers students who have received prior education or training the opportunity to gain advanced standing. Final approval of the credit to be granted must be made by the Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs. All such credit is granted on the Credit/No Credit basis. Applications are available from Admission & Records.

Hawaiian or Second Language Back Credits
Students who placed above the 101 level in Hawaiian or foreign languages offered at the College can receive, at no additional cost, credits for the courses for which they are exempted upon completing the next course in the sequence with grade C or higher.

For example, upon completing 102 with a C or better, students will also earn the credit for 101; upon completing 202 with a C or better, students will also earn the credit for 101, 102, and 201.
Students who place above the 202 level, including native speakers of the languages, can receive credit for the full course sequence provided they complete, with grade C or higher, any course in any field (e.g., history, literature, culture, language, Hawaiian studies, anthropology, education, or musicology) in which they make significant use of the language. The judgment as to “significant use” is normally made by the instructor of the course students have taken. If no classes above 202 are available which provide “significant use,” students or native speakers must pass the 202 course with grade C or better.

Implementation Guidelines

1. Eligibility:
The MCC back credit policy went into effect in Fall 2006. Classified students at the College may apply for back credits in language. The back credits will count toward the College’s degrees and certificates.

   Note: The University of Hawai’i at Manoa (UHM) allows back credits only to those students who entered the University of Hawai’i (UH) system in Fall 2001 or later, or who have chosen to graduate under the UHM General Education Requirements adopted in Fall 2001. Other colleges or universities in the UH system and elsewhere may have different policies regarding back credits or policies that may prevent the transfer of MCC back credits.

2. Placement Examination:
See Hawaiian or foreign language departments to schedule a placement exam. Based on the results of the placement tests and/or oral interviews with language teachers at the College, students are placed in 100 or 200 level language courses.

3. Bilinguals:
Bilinguals and native speakers are eligible for back credits, providing they complete with grade C or higher an appropriate post-202 language course. Students should contact the Hawaiian or foreign language departments for a list of courses above 202 that may be available in language at MCC, or via distance education.

4. Back Credits/Grades:
Back credits are awarded with no grade designation.

5. Transfer Credits:
Students may not apply for back credits based on courses above 101 taken outside the UH system or in high school, including those courses for which AP credits have been granted by MCC.

6. Number of Languages:
Back credits may be earned for only one language.

7. Number of Credits:
Students may earn from 3 to 16 back credits - 6 to 8 for first-year language courses, and 6 to 8 for second-year language courses.

8. Petition Forms:
Back credits will not be awarded automatically. Students interested in obtaining back credits must initiate the process. Forms for back credit requests are available through language course instructors or the Humanities Department office.

Credit by Examination
All students officially registered in a course who present evidence to the instructor that through experience or training they have had the equivalent of the course, but have not received college credit for it, may apply for credit by examination.

Upon application by students and approval by the appropriate instructor and department chair, a comprehensive test shall be administered and evaluated by the instructor. Students are encouraged to apply for and take the exam prior to the end of the late registration period. An examination may not be repeated. No special fee is charged. Only Credit/No Credit grades are given. A CR grade will not be computed in the GPR, but credits earned can be counted toward graduation. Credits earned by examination are not eligible for financial aid.

Credit may be earned for courses parallel to those offered by the College by taking College Level Examination Program (CLEP) tests. To receive credit, one must be enrolled at the College, but not necessarily in the course(s) for which examined. The number of credits awarded is based upon the credit value of parallel courses at the College. Only the CR grade is given.

Minimum test scores for receiving credit will be those published by the College Entrance Examination Board. Credit by examination through the CLEP program in an elementary foreign language course is not available if the applicant is a native speaker of that language.

For information, call 984-3306.

Credit for Military Education
Evaluation of structured military education courses for credit is a function of Admission & Records. The American Council in Education Guide will be used for determining credit value and relevance to MCC programs. Only Credit/No Credit grades are given.
Credit for Non-Collegiate Instruction

College credit may be awarded for successful completion of a formal course offered by an institution other than a college (e.g., labor union courses, agency training programs, professional workshops, military courses) if that course is found comparable to college level material.

An evaluation will be done only for enrolled students who have completed at least 12 credits of regular offerings at the College. Only credits applicable toward a designated associate degree or certificate will be evaluated. If students who have been granted credit for such courses decide to change their program, the non-traditional credits already granted must be re-evaluated for applicability to the new program. No more than one-third of the credits required for a degree or certificate may be earned through non-traditional methods. Only a CR grade is assigned for such courses. If students transfer to another college, transfer of non-collegiate credits is subject to the policies of the admitting institution.

Credit for College Board Advanced Placement Exams

Students who take the College Board Advanced Placement Examination may be granted college credit for equivalent courses offered at the College in accordance with the criteria established by the UH Manoa College of Arts & Sciences. Application forms for Advanced Standing Credits are available at Admission & Records and the Counseling Center. Because policies regarding acceptance of Advanced Placement score levels vary with each college, those who plan to transfer elsewhere should seek information regarding applicability of such scores to their particular majors.

Transfer to Four-Year Institutions

Four-year colleges and universities have different lower division requirements, which change frequently. Students should consult the Maui Community College catalog according to their intended major at the four-year institution where they plan to transfer. Students are responsible for identifying the specific requirements of the institution and program to which they plan to transfer. Students are encouraged to consult a counselor.

College catalogs are published once per year or less frequently and do not always reflect the most recent campus actions involving core courses.

Articulated A.A. Degree

Students who have earned an articulated Associate in Arts (A.A.) degree from a University of Hawai‘i Community College shall be accepted as having fulfilled the general education core requirements at all other University of Hawai‘i campuses. While an articulated A.A. degree satisfies general education core requirements, students must also complete all specialized lower-division, major, college, and degree/graduation requirements.

Additional campus-specific requirements, such as competency in a foreign language or writing-intensive courses, may also be required. With planning, most if not all of those requirements may be incorporated into the A.A. degree; if not, they are required in addition to the A.A. degree.

As requirements will differ among the colleges in the University of Hawai‘i system, students should be guided by the most current information and consult MCC counselors for assistance.

Transfer to UH Hilo, UH Manoa, or UH West Oahu

Before transferring to the University of Hawai‘i at Hilo, Manoa, or West Oahu, students should plan their MCC academic program according to the requirements of their intended major at the receiving institution. Students who intend to transfer are urged to verify MCC course selections with a counselor for equivalency at the receiving institution before each semester’s registration.

Core Courses

College catalogs, published once per year or less frequently, do not always reflect the most recent campus actions involving UH system core courses. For more current information about core courses, students should consult the Student Transfer Handbook available from a counselor, or check the website www.hawaii.edu/academics/admissions/transfers.html

Safety Regulations

In classrooms, labs, and shops, and on field trips, the personal safety of students and instructors is extremely important. Safety lectures, demonstrations, quizzes, and other activities are a regular part of the College’s instructional program.

Certain types of protective equipment are required for participation in many activities taking place in classrooms, labs, and shops. Students are required to participate fully in safety-related instruction, furnish their own personal protective equipment, supplies, and uniforms when required, and utilize College protective equipment when provided. Failure to act in a safe, responsible manner may result in immediate removal from class.
Campus Security
The College is concerned about the safety and welfare of all campus members and guests, and is committed to providing a safe and secure environment. Because no campus is isolated from crime, the College has developed a series of Policies and Procedures that are designed to ensure that every possible precautionary measure is taken to protect persons on the campus.

In an emergency on the Kahului campus, call Campus Security at 984-3255; the Maui Police Department at 911 (or 9-911 from an inside line); the Vice Chancellor of Administrative Affairs at 984-3253; or the Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs at 984-3268.

Campus Parking and Vehicles
The College has in place rules governing campus parking and vehicles. The purpose of these rules is to increase pedestrian safety, reduce traffic congestion, and provide for safe and orderly parking on the campus. Any motor vehicle may be removed from the campus at the expense of the owner/driver of the vehicle if it is in violation of these rules.

Violations include: parking in prohibited areas such as, but not limited to, the following: on grassed areas, medians, sidewalks, in reserved or loading stalls, in “No Parking” areas, or along areas painted red and yellow (e.g., too close to intersection, in loading zones and driveway areas); driving on areas other than streets, roads, or parking areas; speeding over 15 miles per hour or other posted limits; reckless driving; failure to heed directions of a duly authorized officer; and failure to heed directions given on an official sign (e.g., failure to stop at stop sign, failure to obey one traffic sign).

All owners and operators of motor vehicles parked or operated on campus shall assume the risk of, and the College and University shall not be responsible or liable for, any loss or damage occasioned by fire, theft, or other casualty to motor vehicles or any contents therein. Each such owner and operator of a motor vehicle parked or operated on campus shall indemnify and save harmless the College and University from and against all claims, demands, costs, and expenses whatsoever arising out of or in connection with parking or operation of such motor vehicle on campus.

Smoking
Smoking is prohibited on campus except in designated smoking areas, in accordance with the state 2006 Smoke Free Hawai‘i Law and University policy.

Effective November 2006, the State of Hawai‘i implemented a new Tobacco Products policy in an effort to improve the working and learning environment and protect faculty, staff, students, and visitors from secondhand smoke exposure. Among areas where smoking is prohibited by law:

- all interior space owned, rented, or leased by the university;
- in building courtyards, breezeways, and terraces, on exterior stairways and access ramps, and outdoor dining patios, terraces, and lanais;
- within 20 feet of building entrances, exits, air intake ducts, vents, and windows of buildings;
- any area that has been designated by the person having control of the area as a non-smoking area and marked with a no smoking sign. For additional details about the policy, visit: http://www.hawaii.edu/smokingpolicy

Additionally, a more limited policy for Maui Community College has been implemented. For the College’s smoking policy, contact the Vice Chancellor of Administrative Affairs at 984-3253.

Pets on Campus
No pets, except seeing eye dogs, are allowed on campus.

Illicit Drugs and Alcohol
In conformance with existing law, University faculty, staff, and students are not permitted to manufacture, distribute, possess, use, dispense, or be under the influence of illegal drugs and/or alcohol as prohibited by state and federal law, at University-sponsored or approved events or on University property or in buildings used by the University for education, research, or recreational programs.

Consistent with its mission, the University will cooperate with law enforcement agencies responsible for enforcing laws related to use of illegal drugs and alcohol. Students found in violation of this part shall be subject to provisions of the Student Conduct Code. Faculty and staff found in violation of this part are subject to disciplinary action as provided in collective bargaining agreements, University policy, and other applicable state laws and rules.

The University recognizes that substance abuse is a complex problem that is not easily resolved solely by personal effort and may require professional assistance and/or treatment. Students, faculty, and staff members with substance abuse problems are encouraged to take advantage of available diagnostic, referral, counseling, and prevention services. The University will not excuse misconduct by employees and students whose judgment is impaired due to substance abuse.

The purchase, possession, or consumption of alcoholic beverages is regulated by state law. Students are expected to know and abide by state law and by University rules and regulations governing the use and consumption of alcoholic beverages on campus. Students are referred to Board of Regency policy, executive policies, and campus guidelines regulating the use and consumption of alcoholic beverages on campus.

Students are not permitted to be under the influence of, possess, manufacture, distribute, or sell illicit drugs, as prohibited by state law, at University sponsored or approved events, on University property, or in buildings used by the University for its educational
or recreational programs. Reasonable suspicion of possession or use of illegal drugs and substances on campus may subject the students involved to investigation.

Sanctions that may be imposed on violators of the alcohol and drug related sections of the Student Conduct Code include disciplinary warning, probation, suspension, expulsion, or rescission of grades or degree. Copies of the full text of the Student Conduct Code are available in the Office of the Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs; the Hawai‘i Penal Code is available in the Library.

Campus-sponsored activities on campus that involve either the serving or selling of alcoholic beverages must be approved by the Chancellor and be in compliance with applicable College/University policies and state law.

Copies of policies governing the possession, consumption, serving, and sale of alcoholic beverages on the University of Hawai‘i Maui Community College campus are available in the Office of Student Services.

Lethal Weapons
Firearms, spear guns, and bows and arrows are prohibited on campus, at outreach centers, in residence halls, and environs, except with specific prior permission of the Chancellor.

Sex Offenses
As with any criminal offense that occurs on campus, students should report any incidents of sexual harassment, rape, attempted rape, or sexual assault to the Vice Chancellor of Administrative Affairs at 984-3253. Students may also notify the Maui Police Department at 911 and/or Campus Security at 984-3255, or request the Vice Chancellor to assist by making these calls. In addition, students can call the Sexual Assault Support Services hotline at 873-8624, or its business office at 877-9838. This agency provides 24-hour emotional support, counseling, medical, legal, and judicial advocacy services to any person affected by sexual abuse. The agency also provides public education regarding prevention of child sexual abuse, incest, and sexual assault.

As required by the Higher Education Amendments of 1992, the College has a Sexual Assault Policy which explains the College’s Sexual Assault Prevention Program presented to promote awareness of rape, acquaintance rape, and other sex offenses and the procedures for reporting offenses. A copy of the Sexual Assault Policy and the procedure for the Sexual Assault Prevention Program can be obtained from the Vice Chancellor of Administrative Affairs.

Assistance is available at Student Services for students who would like to change their academic and/or living situations following an alleged sexual assault incident and for those who need counseling.

Information on how to best minimize becoming a victim of sexual assault is provided in a brochure entitled Sexual Assault, Reducing the Risk and Coping with an Attack. Copies are available at Student Services. All students should read this brochure.
Academic Dishonesty

Academic dishonesty cannot be condoned by the University. Such dishonesty includes cheating and plagiarism (examples of which follow) which violate the Student Conduct Code and may result in expulsion from the University.

Cheating includes but is not limited to giving unauthorized help during an examination, obtaining unauthorized information about an examination before it is administered, using inappropriate sources of information during an examination, altering the record of any grade, altering answers after an examination has been submitted, falsifying any official University record, and misrepresenting the facts in order to obtain exemptions from course requirements.

Plagiarism includes but is not limited to submitting, to satisfy an academic requirement, any document that has been copied in whole or part from another individual’s work without identifying that individual; neglecting to identify as a quotation a documented idea that has not been assimilated into the student’s language and style, or paraphrasing a passage so closely that the reader is misled as to the source; submitting the same written or oral material in more than one course without obtaining authorization from the instructors involved; or dry-labbing, which includes (a) obtaining and using experimental data from other students without the express consent of the instructor, (b) utilizing experimental data and laboratory write-ups from other sections of the course or from previous terms when the course was conducted, and (c) fabricating data to fit the expected results.

Student Conduct

The University of Hawai‘i Maui Community College has a Student Conduct Code which defines expected conduct for students and specifies those acts subject to University sanctions. Students should familiarize themselves with the Student Conduct Code, since upon enrollment at University of Hawai‘i Maui Community College, students have placed themselves under the policies and regulations of the University and its duly constituted bodies.

The disciplinary authority is exercised through the Student Conduct Committee. The Committee has developed procedures for hearing allegations of misconduct.

Copies of the Student Conduct Code are available from the Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs, Alvin Tagomori.

Call 984-3268.

Student Misconduct Grievances

The process of addressing allegations of misconduct are described in the Student Conduct Code and the Academic Grievance Procedures, available from the Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs.

Call 984-3268.

Regulations and Standards for Financial Aid

- Financial Aid Requirements
  Section 484(a)(2) and (c), Section 485(a) and (k) of Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 as amended and 34 CFR Part 668.16(e), 668.34 and 668.43 (c)(2) set forth certain conditions that must be met if a student is to receive payments under that Title. In order to comply with these requirements, all financial aid recipients are required to meet the Satisfactory Academic Progress.

- Satisfactory Progress Policy & Financial Aid
  All courses that appear on students’ transcript are considered in determining academic progress. This includes periods of enrollment for which students did not receive financial aid funds.

  Satisfactory academic progress for financial aid recipients at Maui Community College is based on both qualitative and quantitative measures. To meet qualitative standards, students must maintain a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.0. and complete at least 75% of their cumulative coursework. The Financial Aid GPA is calculated by dividing the total grade points earned by the total class units attempted. Quantitative standards dictate that financial aid recipients must complete coursework at a rate that assures completion of their academic program within a specific timeframe. The maximum financial aid time frame cannot exceed 150 percent of the published length of students’ declared major for their first degree and 100 percent of the published length of the students’ second degree.

Students who do not meet the cumulative qualitative and/or quantitative standard for the first time will be placed on financial aid academic probation during their next semester of attendance. Students on financial aid academic probation may receive aid during the probationary semester. Failure to meet the standards of progress in the probationary semester or any subsequent semester will result in suspension of further aid.

To regain financial aid eligibility, students must earn sufficient grades and/or complete the necessary credits to meet the qualitative and/or quantitative standards of progress. Students ineligible for financial aid based on the terms of our Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy (grades and/or timeframe) may be reinstated through an appeals process with the Financial Aid Office.

The full Financial Aid Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy statement is available at the Financial Aid office.

- VA Standards of Progress
  Veteran students and other VA beneficiaries receiving educational benefits will be required to meet the Standards of Progress. To become eligible for VA educational benefits, a veteran or eligible dependent must enroll only in courses within his/her declared major, unless a change of major is approved. All veteran
students receiving VA assistance must see the VA counselor for academic advising prior to registration. The minimum standards of satisfactory progress include the following procedures and requirements:

1. Satisfactory academic progress for veterans at MCC is established with the successful completion of minimum credit loads certified for the program. Veterans will be required to complete the following credit loads: half-time students (6-8 credits) must complete 6 credits; three-quarter time students (9-11 credits) must complete 75% of credits attempted; and full-time students (12 or more credits) must complete a minimum of 9 credits. In addition, a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.0 (C) must be maintained.

2. To support their educational progress, veterans or eligible dependents who are referred by instructors will be required to meet with a counselor and will be encouraged to take advantage of the following services:
   - Testing
   - Developmental and tutorial services
   - Supplemental services for financial assistance

3. Veterans or dependents enrolled in two or more certified courses who do not complete all subjects undertaken or who withdraw after the initial drop/add period will be considered as having failed to maintain satisfactory progress, except for extenuating circumstances. Such determinations of unsatisfactory progress will be reported promptly to the Veterans Administration.

4. If veterans or eligible dependents do not complete the minimum credit load and/or fail to maintain a 2.0 GPR for any semester, student will be placed on probation the following semester but will still remain eligible for benefits. Failure to meet the standards of progress in the probationary semester will result in suspension of further benefits. To re-establish eligibility, students must complete the minimum credit load and achieve a 2.0 GPR or better in the semester of aid suspension. Failure to complete the minimum credit load, and/or to maintain a 2.0 GPR for any three semesters during course of study at the College will result in suspension of further benefits.

- **Selective Service Registration and Federal Student Aid**

Military Selective Service Act (P.L. 97-252) requires that beginning July 1, 1983, students who are required to register with the Selective Service System and fail to do so shall be ineligible to receive Federal Title IV student financial aid or incur other negative consequences.

This requirement affects all male students who are at least 18 years of age, who were born after December 31, 1959, and who are not currently on active duty with the armed forces. Members of the Reserves and National Guard are not considered on active duty and must be registered.

The group of affected males includes citizens and noncitizens eligible to receive Federal financial aid except permanent citizens of the Federated States of Micronesia, the Republic of Marshall Islands, or the permanent residents of the Republic of Palau.

For information call the Financial Aid Officer at 984-3277.

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**Financial Obligations to the University**

Students who have not satisfactorily adjusted their financial obligations (such as tuition and fees, traffic violations, parking tickets, unreturned library books, library fines, other fines, locker fees, laboratory breakage fees, transcript fees, loans past due, rental payments, financial aid overawards, etc.) may be denied registration, grades, transcripts, and diplomas.

A copy of the Rules and Regulations Governing Delinquent Financial Obligations Owed the University of Hawai‘i promulgated by the Board of Regents is on file at Student Services.