



**BOISE STATE UNIVERSITY**

University Policy 3170

## Limit on the Number of Withdrawals

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### **Effective Date**

September 1995

### **Last Revision Date**

March 2014

### **Responsible Party**

Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, (208) 426-1212  
Office of the Registrar, (208) 426-4249

### **Scope and Audience**

This policy applies to all University students.

### **Additional Authority**

University Policy 3190 (Course Repetition – GPA Relationship)

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## **1. Policy Purpose**

To limit the number of withdrawals (W's) a student may accrue in an academic program.

## **2. Policy Statement**

Boise State University recognizes that students may occasionally need to drop a course. Students are allowed a maximum number of withdrawals (W's) for any one course and/or a maximum number of W's associated with the completion of a degree.

### 3. Guidelines

- a. Students may accrue up to ten (10) withdrawals for a baccalaureate degree and up to five (5) for an associate degree. Any “W’s” received in an associate degree program count toward the 10 allowed for the baccalaureate degree program.
  - b. Withdrawals from co-requisite courses (lecture/lab) will count as one “W,” unless the co-requisite courses are two separate courses.
  - c. Any withdrawal grade (W) given as a result of a complete withdrawal will not count toward the ten total allowed or the two allowed per course.
  - d. Once a student has exhausted the number of “W’s” allowed, the student may be removed from their major.
  - e. Students may earn an additional ten W’s toward a second baccalaureate degree or an additional five W’s toward an additional associate degree.
  - f. “W’s” earned prior to Spring 2014 semester are not counted toward the number allowed.
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### Revision History

July 1995; July 1999; July 2001; November 2001; April 2012; December 2012; March 2014