



# ALMA COLLEGE

## Overload Exempt Course Policy

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2023-24 Alma College Academic Catalog Class Load Policy (Pg. 11)

*The class load for a 14-week term shall be no fewer than 13 and no more than 18 credits for full-time status. A bachelor's degree from Alma College requires the completion of 136 credits to graduate in four years, which equates to 16 credits per term over 8 terms along with 2 spring terms at 4 credits year. Students are advised to consider this total when selecting classes for each term as it's possible to take more or fewer credits in a term. Students who wish to qualify for full benefits from the Veterans Administration, Social Security, or other financial aid sources are advised to enroll for no fewer than 13 credits. Athletes should be aware that Alma College requires a 13- credit course load for eligibility.*

### **Common Overload Exempt Courses**

DAN 148 Highland Dance I  
DAN 151 Alma College Dance Company  
DAN 248 Highland Dance II  
HNR 100/200/300/400 Honors Seminar  
HNR 150/180/250/280/300/480 Honors Reading Group  
PAF 160/360 Community Issues and Public Leadership I and II  
POL 328/329 Advanced Model UN  
MUS 150 Accompanying  
MUS 151 College Chorale  
MUS 153 Kiltie Band  
MUS 153G Winter Guard Ensemble  
MUS 154 Scottish Arts  
MUS 155 Percussion Ensemble  
MUS 156 Jazz Ensemble  
MUS 157 Alma Acapella  
MUS 158 Handbell Choir  
MUS 159 Chamber Music  
MUS 351 Alma College Choir  
THE 150 Theatre Company  
THE 152 Theatre Administration

### **Allowances**

\*Students may enroll in a maximum of 2 credits, beyond the 18-credit threshold, from the above list without fee.

\* Students who incur an overload charge due to a course that is required for their distinguished scholarship renewal will receive an exemption from the overload charge for that specific course. This may include distinguished vocal, distinguished instrumental, distinguished Scottish arts, distinguished dance, distinguished art performance, and distinguished theatre.

\* MUS Education majors and MUS Performance majors (approved major declaration must be on record) can have up to 2 semesters of overload charges exempt not exceeding 22 credits. These courses must include two MUS 150's or 351 plus other courses from MUS. Any credits exceeding the 22-credit maximum will be subject to overload charges regardless of the course.

For the 2023-24 academic year, overload credits are billed at **\$1,473** per credit hour.