

Reduced Course Load Request University of Houston-Downtown

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U.S. immigration regulations require F-1 students to be registered full time (12 credit hours per semester for undergraduate and 9 credit hours for graduate students). This form must be completed and approved *before* dropping below minimum hours. Failure to do so is a violation of your immigration status and may result in the termination of your F-1 status.

TO BE COMPLETED BY STUDENT	Student ID #
Name:	
Degree Level: Bachelor's Master's	
Semester Requested: Fall Spring 20	
Class(es) To Drop:	Number of Credit Hours Remaining:
I attest that I have properly maintained my immigration status.	
Student Signature:	Date:
Please choose ONE reason for your reduced course load (RCL) request and complete the appropriate box below.	
RCL DUE TO ACADEMIC DIFFICULTY: TO BE COMPLETED BY FACULTY MEMBER Only permitted during one semester per degree program; minimum 6 credit hours still required. Select one reason: Initial difficulty with the English language Initial difficulty with reading requirements Unfamiliarity with American teaching methods Improper course level placement	
Course Number: Course Name:	
Name of Course Instructor:	
Instructor Signature:	Date:
RCL DUE TO ILLNESS OR MEDICAL CONDITION A valid medical reason must be indicated in a letter stating the nature of the medical condition, the reason for a reduced course load, and how many credit hours can be taken. One year of RCL for medical reasons is permitted per degree program and must be renewed each semester. Zero hours is permitted if clearly stated in the letter. Letter is attached from licensed medical doctor, doctor of osteopathy, or licensed clinical psychologist	
RCL DUE TO FINAL SEMESTER Students are permitted to take a reduced course load their final semester at UHD if they do not need the full-time number of credit hours to complete requirements for their degree. However, students should note that failure to complete degree requirements as planned during final semester RCL may result in a violation of immigration status. Number of hours needed to complete degree program:	
Name of Academic Advisor:	
Academic Advisor Signature: Date:	
Office Authorization: \(\subseteq \text{Yes} \subseteq \text{No} \) Approved by	: Date: