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POLICY

Graduate Student Enrollment and Registration

1. Purpose

This policy establishes a framework for academic standards governing graduate student enrollment and course registration.

2. Scope of Application

This policy applies to all graduate students at Zayed University (“**University**”).

3. Definitions

Enrolled Student Status	Attributed to a student who is admitted and has had at least one course registration, is on approved academic leave, is actively registered, or is on registration suspension.
Registered (Active) Student Status	Attributed to a student who has an active course registration for academic credits in a particular semester.

4. Policy

4.1 The University shall use the Credit Hour (CH) as the basis of its graduate programs and shall organize its educational process on a semester system.

4.2 Graduate Course Registration

4.2.1 A graduate student must be officially registered in a graduate program course to earn academic credit.

4.2.2 Official registration in a graduate program course requires the student to meet all academic and financial requirements.

4.2.3 A graduate student is responsible to confirm withdrawal from a graduate course (course drop).

4.3 Graduate courses taught across the University should typically have a minimum enrollment of eight (8) students per section when taught in a lecture or lecture/lab-based delivery mode.

- 4.4 Graduate courses taught across the University should not exceed a maximum enrollment of twenty (20) students per section.
- 4.5 A graduate student is responsible to be aware of University policies, academic requirements, programs, calendar events and/or changes in academic status.
- 4.6 Notifications sent to a graduate student's University email account are considered official.
- 4.7 A student is responsible to confirm withdrawal from a graduate program to the Graduate Studies office.

5. Related Policies and Laws

- ACA-GRA-102 Graduate Student Tuition and Fees
- ACA-GRA-202 Academic Progress in Graduate Programs
- ACA-GRA-204 Graduate Student Records
- ACA-GRA-206 Grading in Graduate Programs
- ACA-GRA-208 Academic Appeals for Graduate Programs

6. Administration

This policy is administered by the Deanship of Graduate Studies.

7. Revision History

Date	Revision
31 October 2023	Approved by the Provost (Version 2.1).
23 October 2023	Reviewed with no substantive changes required.
8 November 2022	Administrative change: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updated the format and information header to be in line with the format required for the new Policy Library.
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11 June 2019	Approved by the President (PD#17 of 2019) (Version 1.0).
26 March 2018	New policy drafted.