

Six Course Drop Limit

In accordance with TEC 51.907, an institution of higher education may not permit a student to drop more than six courses, including any course a transfer student has dropped at another institution of higher education. This statute was enacted by the State of Texas in the spring of 2007 and applies to student who enroll in a public institution of higher education as a first-time freshman in the fall of 2007 or later.

What is / is not considered a drop?

- Classes dropped after the official census day of the semester through the withdrawal date are considered drops.
- Classes dropped before the official census day of the semester are not considered drops and do not appear on a transcript.

Which drops will count towards the six drop limit?

- Course content / grade dissatisfaction
- Problem with instruction
- Instructor drop / excessive absences
- Loss of transportation

Which drops are exempt?

- Change in work schedule
- Active military duty
- Severe Illness / debilitating condition
- Care of sick, injured or needy
- Death of family member (or close relative)
- Complete withdrawal
- Class Cancellation
- Other “good cause”

Exceptions for “good cause” may be determined by the Registrar, Dean and/or Vice President per guidelines in the legislation. Administrative drops may be coded as “good cause” depending on extenuating circumstances and decisions.

How does a student know how many drops they have that apply to the six drop limit?

The number of applicable drops are shown on the student’s Ranger College official transcript.