Limits on Withdrawals with a Grade of W

• Students are allowed to withdraw with a grade of W a maximum of five times (five courses) in their undergraduate careers at Georgia Perimeter College.

• The limit on withdrawals does not apply if a student withdraws from all classes during a term before the midpoint. However, students are only allowed to withdraw from all classes prior to the midpoint once without having their withdrawals count against the limit. Students who withdraw from all classes a second or subsequent time will automatically receive a grade of WF in those classes that are beyond their course withdrawal limit. (In other words, the college will allow one grace period the first time a student withdraws from all of their courses in a single term.)

(Any class that has a lab component will count as a single withdrawal.)

• It is possible that a student will withdraw from more than one class in a particular semester and not have enough Ws left to use a W in all those classes. In that case, classes will be awarded a W based on the date and time the student initiated the withdrawal from that class. For example, if a student has already accumulated four Ws toward the limit while at Georgia Perimeter College and then withdrew from two of the four classes in which the student is enrolled, the student's fifth W allowed would be assigned to the class from which the student withdrew first. (Student will submit an online Course Withdrawal Request so all listed courses on the form comes as a single request with the same date and time stamp data). The student would receive a WF in the other class. In these cases, students may make an appeal to the Campus Academic Dean to shift the W from one class to another. Such requests must be made no later than the end of the subsequent semester from which the original withdrawal request was made. (The student’s enrollment status does not affect the time limit). Students may not shift Ws between semesters.

• The following types of withdrawals do not count against the limit on withdrawals with a grade of W.
  • Hardship withdrawals (see Section 1332.40).
  • Grades of WF (withdrawal failing).
  • Withdrawals taken in semesters before Fall Semester 2014.
  • Withdrawals taken at other institutions.
  • An exception occurs for institutional withdrawals that are the resulting from Learning Support or ESL.

This policy applies to all degree-seeking undergraduate students.