

56226. Limitations on Eligibility.

A student who has met the eligibility requirements of sections 56220 and 56222, and who participates without term-to-term interruption, shall continue to be eligible until the student:

- (a) has completed 70 degree applicable credit units of instruction, or, has completed six consecutive semester terms or nine quarter terms of enrollment. Time spent by the student enrolled in remedial courses, including remedial level English as a Second Language (ESL) courses, shall not be included when computing the requirements of this sub-section. The EOPS Director may waive this limitation only in cases where students are enrolled in programs which require more than 70 units, or which require prerequisites that would exceed the limitations.*
- (b) has failed to meet the terms, conditions, and follow-up provisions of the student Education Plan and/or the EOPS mutual responsibility contract.*

NOTE: Authority cited 69640, 69648.7 and 710920 Education Code. Reference: Sections 69640 through 69655 Education Code.

IMPLEMENTATION:

Students may **NOT exceed** the 70-unit limit or exceed six semesters of continuous participation in EOPS and continue to receive services. This section identifies those EOPS students who participate in the EOPS Program without term-to-term interruptions. This section also gives EOPS Directors the authority to disqualify any student from the program who is not making academic progress as required in reference to his/her education plan. "Term-to-term" interruption does NOT apply to the summer breaks. If a student drops out of school for one full semester, after being accepted into EOPS and attending at least one full semester, the six consecutive semester count begins at the time the student is again determined eligible for and is accepted into the EOPS Program. However, all previously completed degree applicable units are counted toward the 70-unit limit. All degree applicable credit units earned at any college, including units earned during summer session or any other accredited colleges, must be counted toward the 70-unit limit.

The 70- unit limit may be waived by the EOPS Director, in cases where the limit would be exceeded by the units required for a student's associate degree or specific transfer program, including units for prerequisites to general education courses required for achievement of that student's education goal or program.

The time limit associated with six consecutive semesters of enrollment may be extended or waived if a student was enrolled in remedial ESL courses. Remedial courses should be defined by the college of attendance in their catalog or indicated in the course listings available to students and staff. If the number of units enrolled in remedial ESL, Basic Skills, and remedial courses, are 50% or more of the student's coursework in any given term, then that term is not included in calculating the six consecutive semesters.

For those students with a certified disability which prevents he/she from enrolling fulltime may exceed the six semester time limit. However, they may not exceed the 70 degree applicable unit limit. Furthermore, students with certified disability must show progress to their educational goal.