

## Full-Time and Part-Time Status (D.Sc)

Full-time and part-time status is calculated from a weighting of course units. The weightings are calculated as follows:

Courses numbered 500 – 599	5 times the number of course units
Courses numbered 600 – 799	6 times the number of course units
Courses numbered 800 – 899 (primarily project and thesis)	12 times the number of course units
Courses numbered 900 – 999 (primarily dissertation courses)	18 times the number of course units

Twenty-hour graduate assistantships shall count as 24 weighted units. Ten-hour graduate assistantships shall count as 12 weighted units.

To be considered full-time, a student should have a minimum of 48 weighted units, e.g., 8 units of a 600-level course would yield,  $6 \times 8 = 48$  weighted units, which is full-time; a master's thesis student taking 6 units of 897 would have  $12 \times 6 = 72$  weighted units, which is also full-time.

To be considered half-time, a student should have a minimum of 36 weighted units (e.g., a student taking 6 units of a 600-level course would have 36 weighted units).

A part-time student would be taking a minimum of 12 weighted units.

The one exception to this calculation is that a master's or doctoral student finishing a thesis/dissertation and having no other requirements to complete could take one credit of thesis continuum or dissertation continuum and be considered as a full-time student, even though the weightings are only 12 or 18 respectively.

Graduate Assistants and international students must maintain full-time status.