## 11.1 Academic Load

A semester load is defined as equivalent to 16 credits. It could be either course work, or research work or a combination of course work and research work. One research workload carries 4 credits. Most courses carry 4 credits, while a few courses may carry less or more credits. Thus, a student who has registered for a full semester load solely by course work is expected to attend 4 such four-credit courses. A student registered for a full semester load solely by research work is expected to register for 4 units of research work. Under exceptional circumstances, the Senate may permit a student to register for a maximum of 20 credits or minimum of 12 credits. After fulfilment of a total minimum credit requirement of 96 credits, a Ph.D. student may be allowed to register for a minimum of 4 credits per semester until the completion of the program (subject to a maximum of 7 years from the date of admission into Ph.D.) to be considered as a full time student.