Caltech

Petition to Register for Underload

Name: _____ UID: _____

Class Year: _____ Option: _____ Advisor Name: _____

Caltech Email: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Pronouns (optional): _____ Petition is for (term/year): _____ / _____

INSTRUCTIONS
1. Please review the UASH Handbook before writing and submitting this petition.
2. All information provided on this form is PRIVATE and will only be shared with those who have a need to know.
3. If you plan to submit medical documentation, please use the Provider Report Form.
4. First-Years, Sophomores, Juniors: submit this to the Undergraduate Deans Office (deansoffice@caltech.edu).
   Underloads for less than 27 units not submitted by Add Day may result in academic ineligibility.
5. Seniors: Submit this to the Registrar's Office by Drop Day.
6. Tuition is not adjusted for underloads during a student's first 12 terms, and Financial Aid may be reduced for any underload submitted by Add Day. Contact finaid@caltech.edu to verify your options with aid and an underload.
Note: Underloads can have an impact on financial aid, immigration status, and/or NCAA eligibility.

1. List the course(s) you intend to take in the next three terms:

This term			Next term		The next term	
Course Number	Sec. #	Units	Course Number	Units	Course Number	Units
Total Units			Total Units		Total Units	

2. Explain why you need an underload for this term. (Attach a separate sheet of paper if necessary)

☐ Recommend   ☐ Do not recommend

☐ Approve   ☐ Deny this petition

_____
Advisor Signature   Date

_____
Dean/Assoc. Dean Signature (for seniors: Registrar) Date

(1) A Cal Grant award is limited to four academic years, except as provided in California Code Section 69433(c).
(2) A student needs to take 36+ units per term (an average of 40.5) per term) each academic year, in order to graduate within four years.

At Caltech, full-time enrollment is considered to be a minimum of 36 units for a term. You can find additional information about underloads and financial aid eligibility at https://www.finaid.caltech.edu/policies/underloads

To avoid an unwanted reduction of financial aid, email finaid@caltech.edu to discuss *before* dropping below 36 units or submitting this petition.

☐ **I acknowledge (required)**

_____
Athletic Director Signature   Date
(STUDENTS PARTICIPATING IN NCAA SPORTS ONLY)

_____
International Student Programs Signature   Date
(INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS ONLY)

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