Census Date

Are you considering withdrawing from a unit?

*Student Rights + Support provide important information about Census Dates.*
To discontinue a unit without academic and financial penalties, you must do so before the Census Date.
For semester one the census date is 31 March, and for semester two the census date is 31 August.
• If you withdraw before this date, you do not pay for the unit.
  [NOTE: International Students will not receive a full refund].
• If you withdraw after this date you are financially committed to 100% of the cost for the unit.

Underloading
Domestic students
If your enrolment drops below 18 credit points per semester, you may not be eligible for government payments such as Youth Allowance, Austudy or public transport concessions.

International students
You need to apply for approval to underload under these circumstances:
1. compassionate or compelling circumstances
   • illness or exceptional personal circumstances
   • course structure, progression rules or unit availability prevent a standard enrolment load
2. implementation of an intervention strategy due to a risk of unsatisfactory academic progress.

How to apply
International students must submit an Underload application form – International Students found on Monash University’s website.

Thinking of withdrawing from a unit after census date?
If you are unable to pass a unit, there are academic advantages if you withdraw during the ‘withdrawn late’ period. Contact Student Rights + Support for more information.

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