

# CENSUS DATE

— CONSIDERING  
WITHDRAWING FROM  
A UNIT OR TAKING  
INTERMISSION?



SEM ONE  
MARCH 31

SEM TWO  
AUGUST 31

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To discontinue a unit without academic and financial penalties, you must do so before the Census Date.

For semester one the Census Date is March 31 and for semester two the census date is August 31.

- If you withdraw before this date, you do not pay for the unit. (Please note: International Students may not receive a full refund)
- If you withdraw after this date you are financially committed to 100% of the cost for the unit

## NON-STANDARD WITHDRAWAL DATES

Some units have different withdrawal dates. Always check with your faculty.

## UNDERLOADING AND INTERMISSION

### 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 or take intermission (study leave) 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
3. Circumstances related to COVID-19

## HOW TO APPLY

### UNDERLOAD

International students must [submit an application to underload](#).

### INTERMISSION

International students must complete the online [intermission request form](#).

International students must provide supporting documentation as part of the application.

### JOB READY GRADUATES (JRG)

From January 1 2022, students starting or transferring courses who fail more than 50% after completing 8 units will not be allowed to continue in a Commonwealth Supported Place (CSP) unless they can prove exceptional circumstances. Only then can units be removed from the calculation. This will also impact students receiving HECS-HELP.

Units withdrawn before Census Date can't be included in the calculation but units withdrawn after Census Date are counted as a fail and included in the calculation. [Click here](#) for more information.

### THINKING OF WITHDRAWING FROM A UNIT AFTER CENSUS DATE?

If you find that after Census Date you are unable to pass a unit, there are academic advantages if you withdraw during the 'withdrawn late' period. Your mark will be recorded as a WDN and it will not be included in calculating your WAM or GPA.

Contact Student Rights + Support for more information.