The provisions of the URR are as follows:

For the purposes of the URR, the following definitions apply:

- Being “registered at Northwestern” for a quarter means that during that quarter the student is registered for and completes Northwestern coursework worth at least 2 full units of credit under the supervision of Northwestern faculty members. Eligible coursework includes, for instance, the practicum in the School of Education and Social Policy and the Journalism Residency in the Medill School of Journalism, Media, Integrated Marketing Communications. It does not include the Walter P. Murphy Cooperative Engineering Education Program or most study abroad credits (see exception below).

- For counting number of quarters, a credit-bearing course is considered completed if a student receives any of the following grades: A, B, C (including pluses and minuses), D, F, P, N, X, Y, K, or W. Courses in which the student receives an NR are not included. The NR is an administrative notation rather than a grade.

- Only credits earned (not just attempted) count toward the minimum units of credit needed. Thus, only courses in which the student receives an A, B, C (including pluses and minuses), D, or P are included.

The provisions of the URR are as follows:

- A student entering as a first-year student in a four-year degree program must be registered at Northwestern for at least 9 quarters and earn credit for courses worth at least 32 units at the University.

- A student entering as a first-year student and completing a dual bachelor’s degree program involving two schools must be registered at Northwestern for at least 11 quarters and earn credit for courses worth at least 42 units at the University. See the Dual Bachelor’s Degrees (https://catalogs.northwestern.edu/undergraduate/dual-bachelors-degrees) section for information on approved dual bachelor’s degree programs. This provision does not apply to students completing two BS degrees within McCormick; see Options & Support (https://catalogs.northwestern.edu/undergraduate/engineering-applied-science/#optionssupporttext) in McCormick for the specific requirements covering this situation.

- A student entering as a transfer student in a four-year degree program must be registered at Northwestern for at least 6 quarters and complete at least 23 units of credit at Northwestern.

- The remainder of the 38.7 minimum units required of ISP students may be a combination of test and approved transfer (including study abroad) credit.

A student may appeal for a URR variance to the Registration Requirement Appeals Committee, which consists of the associate provost for undergraduate education, the University registrar, and two associate or assistant deans from different undergraduate schools. The deans serve three-year terms on a rotating basis.

The student should submit a written petition to an adviser familiar with his or her situation. The adviser writes a letter of support and submits both documents to the Office of the Registrar for the committee’s consideration. The appeal must be specific and document any unusual or mitigating circumstances, such as illness, family hardship, or a death in the family. The Registration Requirement Appeals Committee convenes on a regular basis to review petitions.