

Academy Course Requirements

Credits: One credit is granted for a class which meets for 200+ minutes per week for the full school year. A class which meets a minimum of 200 minutes per week for one semester receives one-half credit. One quarter credit indicates that the class met for a minimum of 100 minutes per week for one semester.

Scholastic Load: A full load is considered seven credits per year. Any student who wishes to take more than seven credits of class work in a school year must have approval from the Academy Standards Committee (ASD). Students on academic probation may be limited on the amount of credits taken. All students, regardless of class load, are considered full time students.

Adding and Dropping Classes: To add or drop a class a student must file an add/drop voucher through the office. Any addition to the student's class schedule must be done before the end of the second week of the semester. A class may be dropped before the end of the tenth week of the semester. Students are expected to attend the original class until the signed voucher has been sent to the appropriate teachers verifying the class change.

Incompletes: Incomplete (I) grades will be given only when circumstances such as illness have made it impossible for the student to finish class work in the time allotted. A student must submit a request to the Academic Standards Committee to receive a conditional grade **at least one week before final examinations**. The incomplete work must be submitted after the semester examinations.

Retaking a Class: A student who fails a class in any semester must make up the class. This can be done by retaking the course at SLA or by successful completion of a comparable college or correspondence course. Summer school is acceptable if the grade in the failed class was 50% or higher. The course grade for the class repeated will replace the original grade except in the case of summer school classes. In the latter case, the original grade will be averaged with the summer school grade. Students **MUST** submit a completed Academic Exception form to the Academic Standards Committee prior to enrolling in correspondence courses or summer school.

Off Campus Credit: Students may take courses which are not offered at SLA in order to provide enrichment, a special need, or to make up a deficiency. Any off campus credits must be approved prior to taking the course. Credits will be considered only upon Academic Exception application and full description of the course content being submitted to the Academic Standards Committee.

Acceleration Program: Each student is expected to spend four full years in high school. An acceleration program may be developed for the student who meets the requirements outlined in the Atlantic Union Conference Education Code. Application should be made at the end of the Freshman year through the registrar.

Academic Probation: Academic probation is designed to help students succeed at SLA. A student will be placed on academic probation in any quarter or term in which his/her grades fall below a 2.0 GPA.

Scholastic Reports: Grade reports will be mailed to parents at the end of each nine week and semester grading period.

Interim grade reports are issued at the end of 4 1/2 weeks in each nine week period to serve as a warning to those students who are doing less than "C-" work. The semester grade is the only grade recorded on the student's transcript.

Class Standing: Class membership at SLA is determined by the number of credits a student has earned and by the successful completion of specific courses.

Freshman: Completion of eighth grade or approval of the Academic Standards Committee.

Sophomore: One year of high school and a minimum of 5.75 credits.

Junior: Two years of high school and a minimum of 11.5 credits. Credits must include the following.

- English 2
- Religion 2
- Social Studies 1.5
- P.E. 1
- Math and Science 2
- Other 3

Senior: Three years of high school and a minimum of 17.25 credits. Credits must include the following:

- English 3
- Religion 3
- Social Studies 2.5
- P.E. 1.5
- Math and Science 3
- Other 4

Exceptions to this policy may be made by the Academic Standards Committee in response to a written request by a student and parent.

Each student is assigned an advisor who will counsel the student on academic matters.

ADVANCED PROGRAM

Browning/SLA has the opportunity to provide an advanced program for the junior or senior student who is scholastically and socially qualified. This program is provided through Atlantic Union College and SLA for the student who maintains a 2.5 grade point average in both college and academy work. Please contact the SLA Registrar's office for the specific admission requirements and application form.

Courses taken at SLA for college credit will be assessed a charge per semester course. A student must register for the course work at AUC. If a student takes a three credit course at AUC for academy credit, 1 credit is given.