

It is important to be aware of OSAP's Satisfactory Academic Progress Requirements.

Complete Each Term in Full

While receiving OSAP funding, the Ministry expects students to complete the minimum required course load for full-time studies in each OSAP funded term.

Achieve Passing Grades in The Minimum Required Course Load

To maintain satisfactory academic progress, students must also achieve passing grades in the minimum required course load for full-time OSAP during each OSAP-funded term.

<https://carleton.ca/awards/cu-glossary/minimum-required-course-load/>

Study Period Limit Per Program

Per OSAP policy: *“Students may apply for Full-Time OSAP for the number of periods of study normally specified by the institution for completion of that program of study plus one (1) study period.”*

For a four year undergraduate degree program, this means you can receive OSAP funding for that program for five years.

Repeating Courses

Generally, students who are progressing through their program would receive OSAP funding only once for each course in their program.

When a Financial Aid Office becomes aware that a student has taken a course more than twice (for example, when reviewing transcripts), the third and any subsequent incident must be treated as a failure for the purpose of determining academic progress, regardless of the actual outcome.

Progressing in Program of Study

Finally, the Ministry expects that students in receipt of OSAP funding are steadily progressing towards the completion of a degree program. Frequent and/or multiple program changes, changes to majors, repetition of courses, or failing to steadily advance in your program are considered a lack of academic progress.