

## Certification Codes in UIS

The University uses certification codes to indicate a student's academic load for a given semester.

Boston University uses certification codes of 1-5.

1 – Full-Time

The student is registered for 12 or more credits which constitutes a full-time academic load as determined by the Department of Education.

2 – Part-Time

The student is registered for less than 12 credits which constitutes a part-time academic load.

3 – Certified Full Part-Time Load

The student is registered for less than 12 credits but is doing additional non-credit work which makes his/her load full-time in nature. (For example, a student may be doing research and/or writing their dissertation. Teaching fellowships that are a part of the academic program or part of a full academic award which includes tuition and stipend may also be a reason for using this code.)

4 – Certified Full None

The student is registered for 0 credits but is doing full-time non-credit academic work which makes his/her load full-time in nature. (For example, they are pursuing a full-time practicum or co-op, doing research or dissertation writing.)

5 – Certified Part None

The student is registered for 0 credits but is doing part-time non-credit academic work which makes his/her load half-time in nature. (For example, they are doing a part-time practicum or co-op, doing research or dissertation writing part-time.)

### International Students:

Immigration requires that international students must maintain a “full course of study”. Inappropriate coding of international students as full-time when they are not engaged in a full course of study may jeopardize their immigration status and cause them to lose their ability to study at Boston University.