

## **ATTENTION FRESHMEN!!**

### **6-Drop Rule (New Legislation: SB 1231)**

*Below is a summary of a new law passed by the Texas Legislature this past spring*

Any student who began college for the first time as a freshman in Fall 2007 or thereafter may not drop more than six courses during their entire undergraduate career. This includes courses dropped at another 2-year or 4-year Texas public college or university. For purposes of this rule, a dropped course is any course that is dropped after the published Census Date (See *Schedule of Classes* for the date).

Exceptions to the 6-drop rule include:

- 1) totally withdrawing from the university;
- 2) being administratively dropped from a course by the university;
- 3) dropping a course for a provable illness or disability, for care for a sick or injured person, or for a death in the immediate family;
- 4) dropping a course for documented change of work schedule, or
- 5) dropping a course for active duty service with the U.S. armed forces or Texas National Guard.

Petitions for exemptions must be submitted to the Registrar's Office and must be accompanied by documentation of the extenuating circumstance. Please contact the Registrar's Office if you have any questions.