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Maximum timeframe for completion of degree from date of matriculation (unless otherwise specified by a program's accreditor):

Certificate - 3 years

Master degree - 5 years

Doctoral degree - 150% of the original program of study as detailed in the university catalog

Leaves of absence are included in the amount of time to complete the degree program. Students who are not on an approved leave of absence or are not enrolled for two consecutive terms will be administratively withdrawn from their program. Once a student has exceeded their maximum time frame, the student must appeal if they wish to continue in their program. Only appeals that demonstrate an extreme event, out of the student's control, that directly resulted in exceeding the time frame will be considered. The appeal can be found at <https://www.pcom.edu/about/departments/registrar/>.

Students who exceed the time frame who do not wish to appeal can reapply to their program. The student who reapplies to their program will be required to follow the new program of study of their program (as detailed in the catalog) and will need to discuss with their program director what, if any, previously passed coursework can be utilized as part of their new program of study.

Please note that financial aid can only be provided to a student for 150% of their program. Therefore, students in a certificate or master level program who take up to their maximum timeframe (as listed above) could possibly lose federal financial aid eligibility and would need to apply for private educational loan funding.