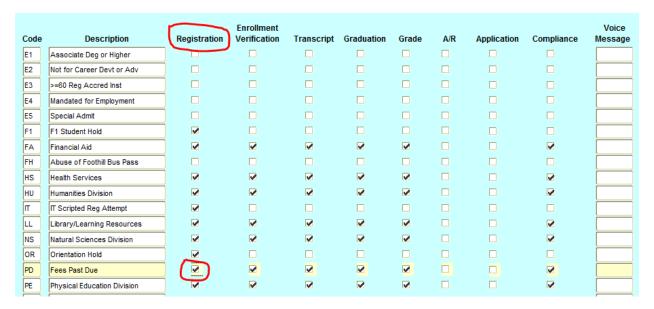
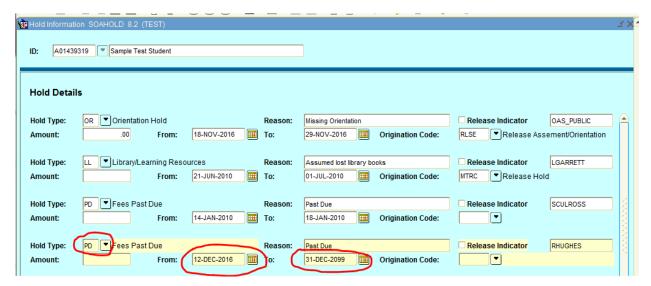
Using Attributes for Past Due Holds

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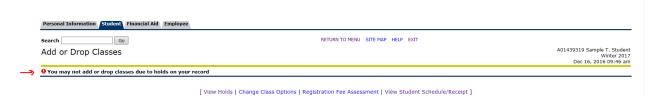
The Ellucian-delivered process for holds that restrict registration is somewhat of a 'blunt instrument' that will prevent any add or drop registration activity. This is the current setup of a sample of our various Hold codes.



When a hold is placed on a student, it is placed for a date range, irrespective of term. The following image shows a student with an active 'PD' hold. While we may desire to prevent a student from registering into an upcoming term, once the hold is placed, any registration activity (adds, drops) for the current term is prohibited. This prevents students from dropping a course (which could resolve the past due issue) or adding a course (which prevents them from attending labs where apportionment is collected).



Following is the message that students see in self-service when attempting to register for a class when they have a hold that prevents registration.



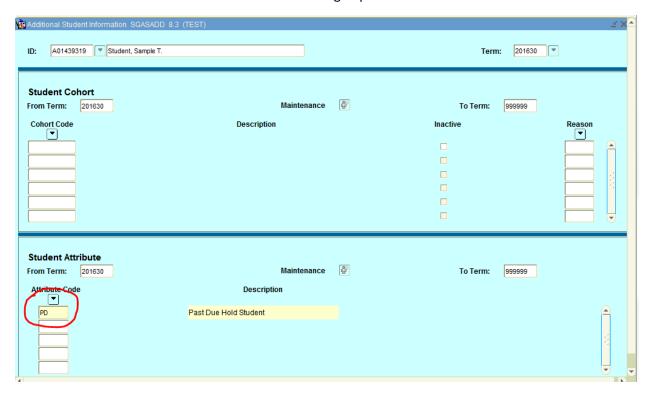
An alternate approach would be to create a 'Past Due' attribute that would be placed on the student's record at the same time that a 'Past Due' hold is entered for the student (and automatically removed when a 'Past Due' hold is removed or given an end date). The 'Past Due' hold would be a memo only. The placing of an attribute would be an automated, custom process that Mt. SAC IT would develop so no additional data entry would be required. Following is a list of our current attributes with a new 'PD' attribute code created.



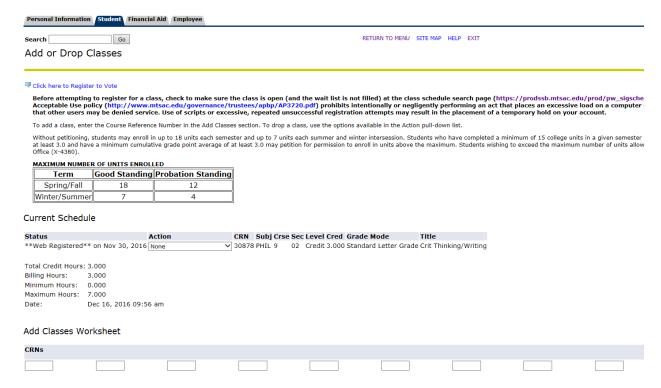
Prior to registration for each term, IT would schedule a process to place this attribute on the Schedule Restriction screen for each <u>Credit</u> course, which will exclude from registration anyone with this attribute on their student record. Following is an example of the 'PD' attribute exclusion on CRN 30745 (BUSL 19) in Winter 2017 (term code 201630).



When the 'Past Due' hold is posted on a student, the 'PD' attribute will also be posted for the term. Note that we now have discretion as to the term being impacted.



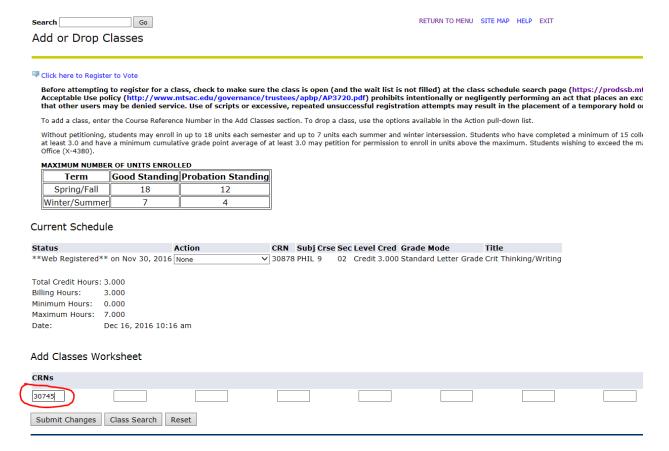
Now when the student goes to self-service to register, all of the Add/Drop functionality is available.



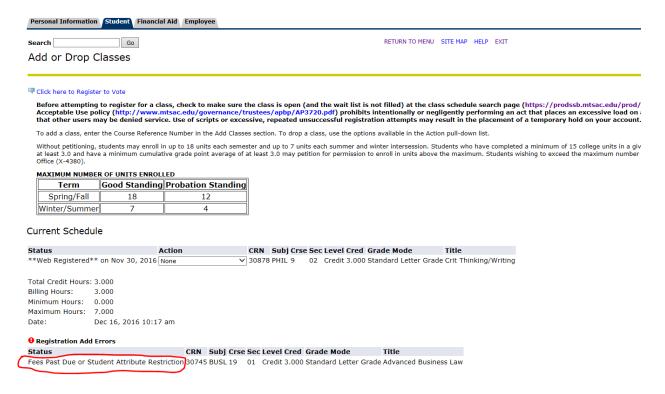
Banner gives us an ability to create a custom message for each error message that a student may encounter during registration. Here we have created a custom message for the 'Attribute' error, which could now also indicate that fees are past due.



The following screen shows us an example of the student attempting to register for a course where the 'Past Due' attribute excludes the student from registering into the course.



Now the student receives a registration add error with our custom 'Fees Past Due or Student Attribute Restriction' message.



In summary, this approach will

- 1. Allow Mt. SAC to prevent registration in credit courses when students have a 'Fees Past Due' (PD) hold and attribute;
- 2. Allow students to drop courses as necessary regardless of the existence of a PD hold; and
- 3. Allow students to register into non-credit courses (such as the writing center), an activity that is important for student success and has no impact on fees.