

## CREDIT HOUR PROCESS

**Executive Team and  
President’s Advisory  
Council:**

1. Reviews the academic calendar annually to ensure instructional time.

**Curriculum Committee:**

1. Reviews each new and revised course outline to align contact hours, classroom instruction time, and awarded credit hours so that the scheduling of credit-bearing courses in all formats reflects the credit-hour definition established by federal and state regulations and board policy.

**Instructional Deans:**

1. Review to ensure that:
  - 1.a. Credit-bearing face-to-face courses require student participation that are equivalent to:
    - 1.a.i. a minimum of one hour per week
    - 1.a.ii. out-of-class student work equivalent to a minimum of two hours per week for each credit hour
  - 1.b. Credit-bearing online courses require student participation in instructor-led, asynchronous or synchronous online learning activities that are equivalent to:
    - 1.b.i. a minimum of one hour per week
    - 1.b.ii. out-of-class student work equivalent to a minimum of two hours per week for each credit hour
  - 1.c. Credit-bearing hybrid courses require a combination of in-person faculty instruction and online, instructor-led, asynchronous or synchronous learning activities equivalent to:
    - 1.c.i. a minimum of one hour per week
    - 1.c.ii. out-of-class student work equivalent to a minimum of two hours per week for each credit hour.
  - 1.d. Laboratory and studio work, internships, practica, independent study and other academic work require at least the equivalent amount of classroom and/or direct faculty instruction and student work.

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