Revised Policy for Assignment of Credit Hours
November 19, 2013

Effective Spring 2014

Motion:

Each semester credit hour requires
(a) a minimum of 750 minutes of classroom or direct faculty instruction or equivalent and
(b) a minimum of 1500 minutes of out of class student work or equivalent.

Academic units may require more than these minima (for example, to fulfill requirements of specialized accrediting agencies).

These minima, or the equivalent amount of work, apply to all learning environments, including, but not limited to, classrooms, laboratories, studio, field experiences, internships, practica, clinical rotations, independent study, online environments, and distance learning formats.

Academic units, in conjunction with the college-level committees overseeing curriculum matters, are responsible for assuring that credit hours are awarded consistent with this policy in all learning environments.

This policy does not prohibit the awarding of credit based on a student’s demonstration of the acquisition of competencies equivalent to those of an approved course (for example, credit by examination).

The previous policy on Assignment of Credit Hours is repealed.