



<b>CHAPTER 3</b>	<b>SECTION NO.</b>
Student Policies	3.06-01
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3.06-01 Course Credit Hour Determination	<i>Reviewed: July 17, 2012</i>
	<i>Revised:</i>

Credit hours for courses shall be determined on the basis of an expected 45 hours of combined classroom/ laboratory and study time for each semester hour.

Courses with students participating in lecture/discussion-oriented instruction will be assigned one semester credit hour or equivalent for each 15 classroom contact hours of instruction per semester or equivalent. It is assumed that two hours of outside study will be invested for each classroom contact hour.

Courses in which students participate in laboratory/clinical-laboratory-oriented instruction will be assigned one semester credit hour or equivalent for each 30-45 classroom contact hours of instruction per semester or equivalent. It is assumed that one hour of outside study will be invested for each two laboratory contact hours.

Students who participate in nonclinical internship, practicum or on-the-job supervised instruction shall receive one semester credit hour or equivalent for each 75-149 contact hours per semester or equivalent and students who participate in clinical practicums shall receive one semester credit hour or equivalent for each 30-60 contact hours per semester or equivalent. It is assumed that one hour of outside study time will be invested from each two clinical practicum contact hours.

Courses shall produce a maximum rate of one semester credit hour or equivalent per week. Requests for exceptions to this requirement will be submitted to the ICCB. The criteria utilized by the ICCB for exceptions shall include:

- documentation of need for an intensified or accelerated schedule;
- student population identified with testing and/or screening to indicate special needs and/or competencies;
- how courses are instructed, including schedule of classes, study time allotted for students, method of instruction and how students are evaluated;
- time period of instructional activity and projected termination date;
- procedures to evaluate the accelerated instructional activity.