

IDVP Program Modification

Present Hours 124

Proposed Hours 120

Comments/Notes

To accommodate this change will only require lowering the maximum number of credit hours that can be applied to the IDVP. All students in the IDVP must complete current UT and College core, but the number of hours in the major varies according to the hours earned by the student and the difference between that and total required hours. If the maximum number of applicable hours that can be transferred into IDVP is lowered from 94 to 90, no additional changes will be required.

Rationale

The Ohio Department of Higher Education, along with the Lumina Foundation, the council for Adult and Experiential Learning, the UT Board of Trustees and Faculty Senate have all endorsed the idea that Baccalaureate degree programs without external accreditation mandating additional credit hours should reduce the required number of hours for a degree to 120 where possible. We believe that complying with this recommendation will help UC and UT to increase retention and graduation rates, improve the ability to graduate "on time" and lower total costs for our students.