

Name of Policy: Academic Credit Hour		 Effective date: January 20, 2021 Original effective date: July 26, 2017	
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(A) Policy statement

The University awards one semester credit hour for a minimum of seven hundred fifty (750) minutes of formalized instruction that requires the student to work a minimum of one thousand five hundred minutes (1500) of out-of-class assignments. Credit hours may be calculated differently for different modes of formalized instruction as listed in the Ohio Department of Higher Education Chancellor’s Directive 2010-016 (March 2010).

The University recognizes other types of instruction, such as competency-based learning and assessment, self-paced learning or other types of alternatively structured courses, may be awarded a semester credit hour when there exists reasonable documented evidence, ascertained by valid and current assessment methods, that a quantum of knowledge has been mastered equal to that which has been traditionally acquired through formalized instruction.

(B) Purpose of policy

The policy establishes the awarding of a credit hour for formalized instruction or any variations of instruction or any types of alternatively structured courses offered by the University in accord with the Ohio Department of Higher Education Chancellor’s Directive referenced above.

(C) Scope

The awarding of credit hours applies to transfer credit, courses and programs of study leading to a degree or certificate.

(D) Criteria for different modes of formalized instruction

The Provost is responsible for ensuring the criterion for awarding credit hours is met (regardless of the instructional modality). The procedures for the awarding of credit are available through the provost office.

(E) References

Federal definition of credit hour, 34 CFR §600.2; Ohio Administrative code credit hour definition, OAC 3333-1-02 (B) (13); OAC 3333-1-02 (B) (15); Definition of formalized instruction, Chancellor’s Directive, 2010-016 (March 2010).

<p>Approved by:</p> <p><u>/s/</u> Gregory C. Postel, M.D. Interim President</p> <p><u>January 20, 2021</u> Date</p> <p><i>Review/Revision Completed by: Faculty Senate; Vice Provosts, Deans, Associate Deans, Assistant Deans and Chairs; Legal Affairs Office</i></p>	<p>Policies Superseded by This Policy:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• None <p>Initial effective date: July 26, 2017</p> <p>Review/revision date: January 20, 2021</p> <p>Next review date: January 22, 2024</p> <p>The University of Toledo Faculty Senate must be included in the process related to the revision or reaffirmation of this policy.</p>
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