

Credit Hours Definition

The Graduate School utilizes the Federal definition of a credit hour as a guideline for determining the credits associated with courses and programs.

Therefore, all certificate, MS, and PhD programs shall award 1 credit hour for:

1. A minimum of 15 hours, of 50 minutes each of instructor-led class time (lecture, seminar or discussion) and a minimum of two hours of out-of-class student work;
2. A minimum of 30 hours each of supervised or independent laboratory time;
3. A minimum of 45 hours, of 50 minutes each of clinical instructional situations such as practica, internships, and cooperative educational placements, when supervision is ensured and learning is documented;
4. As based on the academic term.