

POLICY 2.23: DEFINITION OF A CREDIT HOUR

Policy

A typical semester meets for 14 weeks of instruction, after which the final exam may be given in the 15th week.

One credit is defined as 14 hours of classroom instruction. An hour is equivalent to 50 minutes. The typical instructional time for a lecture-type class is 50 minutes per credit per week.

A one-credit course will meet 50 minutes, one day per week for 14 weeks. A three-credit course will meet 50 minutes, three days per week for 14 weeks (or 75 minutes, two days per week for 14 weeks).

Procedure

1. The Registrar will schedule the 14 weeks instruction plus one week for finals.
2. The Provost will validate the semester schedule to make sure it is accurate.

Policy Owner(s)

— Registrar

Policy Access and Publication

— Course Catalog
— Policy Manual

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