

UNCW POLICY ON DEFINING A CREDIT HOUR

In defining a credit hour, UNC Wilmington recognizes the University of North Carolina policy on scheduled instructional time or equivalent per credit hour and the Federal definition and Carnegie unit recommendations.

1. For courses taught in a traditional classroom format, a credit hour is normally granted for completion of at least one 50 minute session of classroom instruction per week for 15 weeks, or the equivalent time per semester, and a minimum of 2 hours per week for 15 weeks of out-of-class student work, or the equivalent time per semester.

2. Alternatively, a credit hour may be granted for at least an equivalent amount of work as required in item 1 above for other academic activities or instructional modes of delivery, such as distance education, blended distance and face-to-face instruction, laboratory work, internships, practica, studio work, and other academic work leading to the award of credit hours.

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