



MERITUS SCHOOL OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE

Credit Hours Assignment and Review Policy

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A credit hour is an amount of work represented in intended learning outcomes and verified by evidence of student achievement that is an institutionally established equivalency that reasonably approximates not less than:

- one hour of classroom or direct faculty instruction and a minimum of two hours of out-of-class student work each week for approximately fifteen weeks for one semester hour of credit, or the equivalent amount of work over a different amount of time; or
- at least an equivalent amount of work as required in paragraph (1) of this definition for other activities, including laboratory work, internships, practicum, studio work, and other academic work leading toward the award of credit hours.

MSOM defines one (1) unit of credit assigned for every 15 lecture hours or 30 lab hours or 45 clinical experience hours during a semester.

The assignment of credit hours to courses is reviewed and approved by the Curriculum Committee annually as the syllabi and schedule of courses are created and finalized.