

## Credit Hours Policy

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### Purpose:

This policy is to describe the total time commitment an average student is expected to devote to learning per week of study.

### Policy:

One semester academic credit hour is equivalent to a minimum of 700 minutes of instruction (50 minutes x 14 weeks), exclusive of time for final examination. This is equivalent to 35 hours of instruction plus time for final examination for a three credit-hour course. At Clarion University of Pennsylvania, a three-credit lecture class is generally required to meet for 2,250 minutes, including the final examination period.

Generally, one unit of credit represents a total of three hours per week of in-class and out-of-class work (Carnegie Unit of Credit).