

Student Credit Hour Definitions

BAM Version: By Unit Offering the Course

Step 1: Assigning **Student Credit Hours by the Unit Offering the Course**: we distribute credits according to the College, Department and CIP (classification of instructional programs) code attributed to the course in the Banner Student Information System; the row title for each CIP code in the report is based on the OSU program title most closely associated with the particular CIP code (we do not list the CIP code) or the CIP code title. Note: course subject code is not used for CIP code level distribution.

Step 2: The following assumptions are applicable to the final distribution of the Student Credit Hours:

- **Academic Year 2016-17** (Fall 2016, Winter and Spring 2017) uses the SCARF definition, which excludes credit hours for students who withdrew from courses before the end of 4th week each term.
- **CSSA**: All Student Credit Hours produced with the CSSA course designator will be distributed to the College of Education.
- **Distance Courses**: All of the Student Credit Hours produced at a distance (identified by the course section number 400 – 499) through the Extended Campus Office will be distributed to the Extended Campus Office.
- **MCB and ENSC**: All Student Credit Hours produced with the MCB (Molecular and Cellular Biology) and Graduate Courses with ENSC (Environmental Sciences) will be distributed to the Graduate School.
- **Eastern Oregon University**: Until Winter 2015, Agricultural Sciences courses taught at Eastern Oregon University (EOU) were processed through the EOU course registration system and were not available in the OSU end-of-term registration tables. The Oregon University System provided OSU with total SCH from EOU Agricultural Sciences courses at the course level only, which we listed separately at the end of the College of Agricultural Sciences section (in the 2014-15 report, this section represents fall and winter SCH only). Starting in Spring 2015, EOU Agricultural Sciences courses are processed within the OSU registration system and Institutional Research incorporates them into the SCH report in the same manner as other OSU courses and are distributed according to the appropriate CIP code.
- **OSU Cascades**: All Student Credit Hours produced by the OSU-Cascades Branch Campus will remain with OSU-Cascades. No OSU-Cascades Student Credit Hours will be moved to OSU Corvallis.
- **University Honors College**: All of the Student Credit Hours produced through the University Honors College (identified by the course college code 18) will be distributed to the University Honors College.

Should questions or comments arise concerning Student Credit Hour Definitions or with the Student Credit Hour Tables, please contact the Office of Institutional Research at 541-737-9600.

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