

**Oregon State University
Office of Institutional Research**

Student Credit Hour Definitions

BAM Version: By Unit Offering the Course

Step 1: Assigning **Student Credit Hours by the Unit Offering the Course (Using the Course Designator)**: Student Credit Hours (SCH) will be credited to the academic unit (or in a few instances with an administrative unit) associated with the generation of the course designator (also referred to as the Banner subject code).

Example: Student Credit Hours generated under the GEO course designator will be credited to the Department of Geosciences in the College of Science.

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

- Academic Year 2008-09 (Fall 2008, Winter and Spring 2009) uses the OUS definition, which excludes credit hours for students who withdrew from courses before the 4th week each term. (if rsts_code in ('AW','WU','WS','WP','WI','WD','WC','WA','NS','MD','DX','DW','DS','DA','DC','DD','DP','DR','CC','CD','CR','BC') and CourseRegistrationStatusDate < CourseCensusDate then credit_hours=0;)
- OSU-Cascades Courses taught by Cascades Faculty (Courses with Campus Code 'DC') are excluded.
- **CSSA**: All Student Credit Hours produced with the CSSA course designator will be distributed to the School 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**: The Student Credit Hours produced by OSU faculty in residence at Eastern Oregon University in support of the four academic degree programs, will be moved from Eastern Oregon University to OSU's College of Agricultural Sciences. These Student Credit Hours will be listed separately as OSU Agr programs SCH at EOU.
- **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 OSU's Student Credit Hour Definitions or with either the Student Credit Hour Tables, please contact Susan Wang at 541-737-9183 or Susan.wang@oregonstate.edu.

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