COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF VERMONT CREDIT HOUR POLICY

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Independent Study policy

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POLICY

CCV credit-bearing courses, including online courses and hybrid courses requiring both in-person and online participation, are scheduled and conducted in compliance with federal regulation defining the credit hour. A credit hour is an amount of work, represented in intended learning outcomes and verified by evidence of student achievement, corresponding to 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.

PROCEDURES

- 1. Scheduling of credit-bearing classroom courses in all formats—weekday, weekend, intensive, etc.—reflects the credit-hour definition established by federal regulation.
- 2. Credit-bearing online courses require student participation in instructor-led asynchronous or synchronous online learning activities equivalent to a minimum of one hour per week and out-of-class student work equivalent to a minimum of two hours per week for approximately fifteen weeks for each credit hour.
- 3. Credit-bearing hybrid courses require a combination of in-person faculty instruction and online, instructor-led, asynchronous or synchronous learning activities equivalent to a minimum of one hour per week and out-of-class student work equivalent to a minimum of two hours per week for approximately fifteen weeks for each credit hour.
- 4. Laboratory and studio work, internships, practicums, and other academic work require at least the equivalent amount of classroom and/or direct faculty instruction and student work as defined in policy above.
- 5. In the case of a Small Group Study, additional out-of-class student work is assigned to make up for the 1/3 reduction in contact hours, i.e. 9-13.5 hours per week for each 3-credit course.