

The UAF Faculty Senate passed the following at Meeting #180, February 6, 2012:

**MOTION:**

The UAF Faculty Senate moves to more clearly define the academic credit hour requirements for laboratory instruction at UAF and include this definition in the UAF Catalog (currently found in

~~UAF Catalog, 2012-2013, 10.04.090~~

**RATIONALE:** Redefine the academic credit hour requirements for laboratory instruction to bring UAF academic policies in line with **UA Regulation 10.04.090** (emphases added below):

~~Evaluation of Student Performance and Course Level Definitions~~

WHICH A LAB COMPONENT MUST INCLUDE A JUSTIFICATION IN TERMS OF

**REQUIRED STUDENT WORK MINUTES OUTSIDE OF LABORATORY) IF THE LABORATORY DOES NOT REQUIRE AT LEAST 2400 LAB MINUTES PER CREDIT.**

The following standards establish the minimum requirements for an academic unit of credit:

1. 800 minutes of lecture (plus 1,600 minutes of study)
2. 1,600 or 2,400 minutes of laboratory (or studio or other similar activity) + **800 OR 0 MINUTES OF OUTSIDE STUDENT WORK.**
3. 2,400-4,800 minutes of supervised practicum
4. 2,400-8,000 minutes of internship (or externship, clinical)
5. 2,400-4,800 minutes of supervised scholarly activity

Credit hours may not be divided, except half-credit hours may be granted at the appropriate rate.

For short courses and classes of less than one semester in duration, course hours may not be compressed into fewer than three days per credit. Any existing semester-long course that is to be offered in a "compressed to less than six weeks" format must be approved by the college or school's curriculum council and the appropriate UAF Faculty Senate committee (Student Academic Development and Achievement Committee, Core Review Committee, Curriculum Review Committee, or Graduate Academic and Advisory Committee). Any new course proposal must indicate those course compression format(s) in which the course will be taught. Only approved course formats will be allowed for scheduling.