Chapter 4 – Academic Affairs

AP 4024 Units-to-Contact-Hour Relationship

References:

Title 5 Section 55002.5 and 55256.5; Program and Course Approval Handbook (California Community Colleges); <u>The Course Outline of Record: A Curriculum Reference Guide Revisited (Spring 2017)</u>

Mt. San Antonio College establishes the following relationships between the number of units assigned to a given course and the number in the course outline:

For each 1 unit credit a minimum of:

Lecture

At least 18 lecture contact hours <u>but not to exceed 26 contact hours</u> plus a <u>minimum of at least</u> 36 additional hours of related independent student work <u>but not to exceed 53 additional hours of related independent student work</u> (total of 54 to 78 79 hours) OR

Lab

• <u>At least</u> 54 laboratory <u>contact hours but not to exceed 80 laboratory</u> or <u>activity</u> contact hours.

Lecture

<u> 200ta: 0</u>				
Contact Hours	Homework Hours	<u>Total</u> <u>Student</u> <u>Learning</u> <u>Hours</u>		
9	<u>18</u>	<u>27</u>		
<u>18</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>54</u>		
<u>27</u>	<u>54</u>	<u>81</u>		
<u>36</u>	<u>72</u>	<u>108</u>		
<u>45</u>	<u>90</u>	<u>135</u>		
<u>54</u>	<u>108</u>	<u>162</u>		
<u>63</u>	<u>126</u>	<u>189</u>		
<u>72</u>	<u>144</u>	<u>216</u>		
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Lab

<u>Units</u>	Contact Hours	Homework Hours	Total Student Learning Hours
<u>0.5</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>27</u>
1	<u>54</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>54</u>
<u>1.5</u>	<u>81</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>81</u>
<u>2</u>	<u>108</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>108</u>
<u>2.5</u>	<u>135</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>135</u>
<u>3</u>	<u>162</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>162</u>
<u>3.5</u>	<u>189</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>189</u>
<u>4</u>	<u>216</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>216</u>

The exception shall be:

 Work Experience and internship courses, which shall award credit in compliance with Title 5 specifications under section 55256.5 as follows: 1 unit for each 75 hours of paid work OR 60 hours of <u>54 hours of paid or unpaid work.</u>
 As course contact hours increase, additional credit shall be awarded in half unit increments per the above standards. In addition, a course shall not be offered for zero (0) units.

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