

Definition of a Credit Hour

The following document defines how the student credit hours are determined for the various forms of classes at Blackburn, as required by HLC. The chart specifies the ratio between the clock hours the course meets and the credit hours awarded. For example, a regularly scheduled course meeting three hours per week earns three credit hours: three clock hours x one credit hour per clock hour. An art studio course meeting six clock hours per week will earn three credit hours: 6 hours x 0.5 credit hours per clock hour.

Course Experience	Course meeting time, clock hours per week	Credit hours awarded per clock hour	notes
Regularly scheduled course	1	1	
Art Studios, AR/WR 468 publication	1	0.5	
Art Review	1	1	Sophomores meet 7 weeks and get one credit (round down)
Computer Science Workshops	1	1	
Class voice or guitar	1	1	Classroom experience
PE activity courses	1	0.5	Exceptions: Bowling 3:1 due to travel time; Basic Fitness 3:2 (round up)
PEPR, credit for varsity sport participation	Full season	1	
Science labs (Bio, Chem, Phy)	1	0.4	Round down. Field bio, ecology have travel time.
Music lessons, one-on-one private lesson	0.5	1	Very focused
Choir: College or Voices	1	0.4	
Band	1	0.4	
TH 290, 291	45 hours of work per semester	1	Similar to internship
ED 110 intro field experience	1	0.4	

Student Teaching	45 hours of work per semester	1	Similar to internship
Internships	45 hours of work per semester	1	Immersive experience
Seminars/Capstones			
Project based	45 hours of work per semester	1	45 hours of work per credit hour
Course based	1	1	As a standard class

The clock hours are based on the common definition of 50 clock minutes = one clock hour

For every hour of class time typical students will work two hour outside of class for one hour inside of class.