

## Course/Credit Hour Definitions

### Credit Hour Defined

A *credit hour* is a measure of graduate or undergraduate academic work represented in intended learning outcomes and verified by evidence of student achievement that reasonably approximates not less than one hour of classroom or direct faculty instruction and a minimum of two hours of out-of-class student work for each week of instructional time for approximately 15 weeks for one semester, or an equivalent amount of work over a different amount of time. A class hour at Wichita State University is typically 50 minutes.

The number of hours of credit for each course is indicated in parentheses following the course title in the academic catalog. Course descriptions include information about the breakdown of class and laboratory hours when applicable. Two hours of laboratory work usually are required for 1 hour of credit.

### Course Numbering System

Courses numbered 99 or below do not count toward any degree program.

Courses numbered 100 to 299 are designed primarily for freshmen and sophomores, but students from other classes may be admitted *for lower-division credit*. Graduate students may not take these courses for graduate credit.

Courses numbered 300 to 499 are taught primarily for juniors and seniors. Freshmen and sophomores also may be admitted *for upper-division credit* if they satisfy the course prerequisites given in the Wichita State University Undergraduate Catalog. Graduate students may not take these courses for graduate credit.

Courses numbered 500 to 699 are aimed primarily at juniors and seniors, but graduate students may receive graduate credit for these courses.

Courses numbered 700 to 799 are structured primarily for graduate students, but upper-division undergraduate students may be admitted if they meet course prerequisites. All students in these courses are expected to perform at the level of graduate students (Graduate I students — students who ordinarily have not accumulated more than 30 credit hours in a graduate program). Students receive graduate credit if the student was admitted to the Graduate School prior to enrollment; undergraduate students receive undergraduate credit unless the student was preapproved to earn graduate credit for that specific course under the senior rule policy, or was preapproved for graduate credit for that specific course following the student's admission to an accelerated bachelor's to master's program. (See the section called Graduate Credit and Admission for Undergraduates (<http://catalog.wichita.edu/undergraduate/admission/graduate-credit-admission-undergraduates/>) for special conditions under which seniors may be admitted to graduate courses.)

Courses numbered 800 to 999 are designed for graduate students only and no students may be admitted to these courses unless they have been admitted to the Graduate School.

### Course Subject Abbreviations

The following abbreviations of academic departments and subject areas are used in references to courses offered by those departments.

AC	Applied Computing
ACCT	Accounting
AE	Aerospace Engineering

ALBA	Applied Learning - Business
ALED	Applied Learning - Education
ALEN	Applied Learning - Engineering
ALFA	Applied Learning - Fine Arts
ALHN	Applied Learning - Honors
ALHP	Applied Learning - Health Prof
ALID	Applied Learning - ID
ALLA	Applied Learning - LAS
ANTH	Anthropology
APEN	Applied Engineering
ARAB	Arabic
ARTE	Art Education
ARTF	Art and Design Foundation
ARTG	Graphic Design
ARTH	Art History
ARTS	Studio Arts
ASL	American Sign Language
AT	Athletic Training
BADM	General Business Administration
BIOL	Biological Sciences
BLAW	Business Law
BME	Biomedical Engineering
BSAN	Business Analytics
CED	Education
CESP	Counseling, Educational and School Psychology
CHEM	Chemistry
CHIN	Chinese
CI	Curriculum and Instruction
CIPE	Curriculum and Instruction Physical Education
CJ	Criminal Justice
CLES	Counseling, Educational Leadership, Educational and School Psychology
COMM	Communication
CS	Computer Science
CSD	Communication Sciences and Disorders
DANC	Dance
DATA	Data Science
DH	Dental Hygiene
DS	Decision Sciences
ECE	Electrical and Computer Engineering
ECON	Economics
EEPS	Earth, Environmental and Physical Sciences
EL	Educational Leadership
EMBA	Executive Master of Business Administration
ENGL	English Language and Literature
ENGR	General Engineering
ENTR	Entrepreneurship
EXSC	Exercise Science

FA	Fine Arts — General	LING	Linguistics
FIN	Finance	MART	Media Arts
FREN	French	MATH	Mathematics
FS	Forensic Science	MBA	Master of Business Administration
FYAN	First-Year Seminar ANTH	MCLL	Modern and Classical Languages and Literature
FYAP	First-Year Seminar APEN	ME	Mechanical Engineering
FYAR	First-Year Seminar ART	MGMT	Management
FYBA	First-Year Seminar BA	MILS	Military Science
FYCJ	First-Year Seminar CJ	MIS	Management Information Systems
FYCM	First-Year Seminar COMM	MKT	Marketing
FYEA	First-Year Seminar ED	MLS	Medical Laboratory Sciences
FYEG	First-Year Seminar ENGR	MUSA	Applied Music
FYEN	First-Year Seminar ENGL	MUSC	Musicology-Composition
FYFA	First-Year Seminar CFA	MUSE	Music Education
FYHN	First-Year Seminar HN	MUSP	Music Performance
FYHP	First-Year Seminar CHP	NURS	Nursing
FYHS	First-Year Seminar HIST	PA	Physician Associate
FYID	First-Year Seminar ID	PADM	Public Administration
FYLA	First-Year Seminar LAS	PC	Personal Computing
FYMG	First-Year Seminar MGMT	PHIL	Philosophy
FYML	First-Year Seminar MCLL	PHS	Public Health Sciences
FYMS	First-Year Seminar MLS	PHYS	Physics
FYMU	First-Year Seminar MUS	POLS	Political Science
FYPF	First-Year Seminar PERF	PSY	Psychology
FYPH	First-Year Seminar PHS	PT	Physical Therapy
FYPL	First-Year Seminar PHIL	RE	Real Estate and Land Use Economics
FYPS	First-Year Seminar POLS	REL	Religion
FYSO	First-Year Seminar SOC	RUSS	Russian
FYSP	First-Year Seminar SLS	SCWK	Social Work
FYST	First-Year Seminar STL	SMGT	Sports Management
FYSW	First-Year Seminar SCWK	SOC	Sociology
GEOG	Geography	SPAN	Spanish
GEOL	Geology	SPED	Special Education
GERM	German	STAT	Statistics
GREK	Greek	TALS	Teacher Apprenticeship Pathways, Literacy and Special Education
HIST	History	TAP	Teacher Apprentice Program
HLS	Homeland Security	THEA	Theatre
HNRS	Honors Program	WEIS	Women's, Ethnicity and Intersectional Studies
HP	Health Professions — General		
HPS	Human Performance Studies		
HRM	Human Resource Management		
HS	Health Sciences		
HSP	Hospitality		
IB	International Business		
ID	Innovative Design		
IME	Industrial and Manufacturing Engineering		
ISLE	Intervention Services and Leadership in Education		
ITAL	Italian		
JAPN	Japanese		
LASI	Liberal Arts Interdisciplinary		
LATN	Latin		
LEAD	Leadership		