

# University Credit Hour Policy

Leighton University complies with the federal definition of credit hour. Leighton's courses have been designed to expect students to spend approximately 6 hours on course-related work per credit per week. For each credit hour, the university requires, at a minimum, the equivalent of three hours of student academic work each week. Mathematically, a three-credit hours course in a Term of 8 weeks x 6 hours x 3 credits totals 144 clock hours on course-related work. Academic work comprises but is not limited to direct faculty instruction, laboratory work, fieldwork, practica, and internships. Other academic endeavors include, but are not limited to, readings, reflections, essays, reports, inquiry, problem solving, collaborations, and electronic interactions. Student work reflects intended learning outcomes established by the university and the profession and is verified through student achievement evidence.