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); The Course Outline of Record: A Curriculum Reference Guide Revisited (Spring 2017)

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 but not to exceed 26 contact hours plus at least 36 additional hours of related independent student work but not to exceed 53 additional hours of related independent student work (total of 54 to 79 hours)

Lab

At least 54 laboratory contact hours but not to exceed 80 laboratory contact hours.

Lecture

<u>Units</u>	Contact Hours	Homework Hours	Total Student Learning Hours
0.5	9	18	27
1	18	36	54
1.5	27	54	81
2	36	72	108
2.5	45	90	135
3	54	108	162
3.5	63	126	189
4	72	144	216

Lab

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

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 54 hours of paid or unpaid work. 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 units.

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