

ADMINISTRATIVE RULES OF THE ILLINOIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD DECEMBER 2019

Section 1501.309 Course Classification and Applicability

a) Course Classification. Information on courses for which credit is to be awarded shall be submitted to ICCB through an electronic exchange system in order for the courses to be classified into appropriate instructional and funding categories and added to the college's Management Information System (MIS) Course Master File.

b) Course Credit Hour Determination

1) Credit hours for courses for which ICCB credit hour grants are to be claimed shall be determined on the basis of an expected 45 hours of combined classroom/laboratory and study time for each semester hour or 30 hours of that time for each quarter credit hour.

2) **Lecture Courses.** Courses with students participating in lecture/discussion oriented instruction shall be assigned one semester credit hour or equivalent for each 15 classroom contact hours, at a minimum, of instruction per semester or equivalent. It is assumed that two hours of outside study will be invested for each classroom contact hour.

3) **Laboratory Courses.** Courses in which students participate in laboratory/clinical-laboratory oriented instruction shall be assigned one semester credit hour or equivalent for each 30-45 classroom contact hours, at a minimum, of instruction per semester or equivalent. It is assumed that one hour of outside study will be invested for each two-laboratory contact hours.

4) **Clinical Practicum courses.** Courses in which students participate in clinical practical experiences shall receive one semester credit hour or equivalent each 30-60 contact hours, at a minimum, per semester or equivalent. It is expected that one hour of outside study time will be invested for each two clinical practicum contact hours.

5) **Internship Courses.** Courses in which students participate in nonclinical internship, practicum, or on-the-job supervised instruction shall receive one semester credit hour or equivalent for each 75-149 contact hours, at a minimum, per semester credit hour or equivalent.

6) Students who participate in an approved program with an intensified or accelerated schedule shall be exempt from the contact hour requirements of this subsection (b).