



CREDIT SYSTEM IN NURSING

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Abstract

A credit is the recognition for having taken a course at school or university, used as measure if enough hours have been made for graduations. In a college or university in the united states, Students generally receive credit hours based on the number "Contact Hours" per week in the class.

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Introduction

Once you officially become a student, you enter a whole new world of learning activities, teaching styles, and assessment methods. Academic credits or university credits are also an important part of international education you will need to know more about, as it will help you better understand how your progress is evaluated during your studies or how you can transfer credits to study at a university abroad.

Definition of Credit System

A **credit system** is a systematic way of describing an educational programme by attaching credits to its components.”

The definition of **credits** in higher education systems may be based on different parameters, such as student workload, learning outcomes and contact hours.

Academic Credit System in Nursing

An academic credit system in nursing is a standard used by universities, Nursing colleges and Nursing schools to measure and assess student’s work and effort during their Diploma, Bachelor, Master or PhD programme.

Forms of assessment are a combination of:

- * Actual Attendance
- * Tests Taken During the Course
- * Projects/Research Work
- * Seminars/Workshops
- * Presentations/Demonstrations
- * Oral/Written Examination

Procedure for Applying for Credit Transfer

Step 1: Original or certified copies of academic transcript of results,r elevant unit/course guide to be submitted with the credit application by the determined closing date.





Step 2: Any credit information submitted as part of the enrolment process will automatically be assessed for any relevant credit.



- * Students will be asked what credit they wish to accept as part of their course during the enrolment process.
- * Students do not have to accept all available credit.

Step 3: Where credit has not been assessed prior to enrolment in the course, individual students must apply for credit for previous learning by the end of the first week of their first semester of study so that their commencing enrolment can be adjusted accordingly.



- * Late applications, including requests for credit submitted later during the course of study, will only be accepted at the discretion of the course convener.

General Rules

The Faculty’s principles regarding assessments of credit are that:

- i. the credit awarded does not undermine the students' chance at academic success
- ii. the studies are relevant to the curriculum and academic standards of the Faculty and University
- iii. the credit awarded under points 1) and 2) above also ensures that students are awarded the maximum allowable so as to not penalize them financially or extend the candidature of the course unnecessarily
- iv. It is at the discretion of the Course Convener whether credit for previous study be granted or not based on the syllabus and transcript provided in support of the request for credit

Benefits of Academic Credit System

- Keep track of student process and determine when he or she has met the requirements for awarding a specific academic degree.
- Offer a good estimate of the workload of a programme and how it is distributed between the different higher education activities.
- Some academic credit systems permit students to transfer to different programmes and keep part or all of their previously earned credit points.
- If a student has not graduated a study programme, but wants to find a job, earned academic credits may be presented to employers as proof of previous studies.
- Some universities use academic study credits to set programme costs.



Types of Credit System Worldwide

1. Credit system in Nursing, Monash University, Australia

- * The Faculty of Medicine, Nursing and Health Sciences awards credit (advanced standing) towards its degrees and awards based on the University Credit Policy (including Recognition of Prior Learning) together with the Faculty course and award regulations.
* Credit can be granted to students who have completed study at another institution that is assessed as being equivalent to units studied in specific faculty courses.
* No distinction will be made in credit determination on whether or not previous study has earned the student a qualification, as long as the requirements for the minimum proportion of work to be undertaken have been satisfied.
> Credit may be given for all units for which equivalence of learning is established to the following limit.
> The student must satisfactorily complete towards the degree at Monash University, at least 48 credit points in the course, or not less than half the course, whichever is the less, in order to be awarded a degree, diploma or certificate for the course.
> The Faculty of Medicine, Nursing and Health Sciences reserves the right to award credit on a case-by-case basis.
> The limits on credit that can be granted in the Faculty of Medicine, Nursing and Health Sciences are as follows:
> Undergraduate students: up to 96 points of credit may be awarded for previous study into 3-year degree programs and up to 144 points of credit may be awarded for previous study into 4-year degree programs of the Faculty of Medicine, Nursing and Health Science.
> Postgraduate coursework students: Credit may be granted to a maximum of half the credit value of the award enrolled in. As per the University Credit policy, limits on maximum credit do not apply to Monash nested or articulated programs.
> Research students: Does not apply.

2. Credit system in Nursing, The University of Edinburgh, Europe

- * Students are expected to take full course load (60 credits per semester, or 120 credits for the academic year).
* The below table will illustrate how our credits compare to those used in the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS).

Normal academic load

Table with 3 columns: SEMESTER, UNIVERSITY OF EDINBURGH CREDITS, ECTS CREDITS. Rows include SINGLE SEMESTER and FULL ACADEMIC YEAR.

Conclusion

The credit system in world is introduced to increases the quality standards. In India it's also in glance and increasing the quality standard by credit system and it also focuses on state level, where over 90 % of the nation's approximately 30 million higher education students are involved.

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