Academic Programs - Curriculum Definitions

Undergraduate

**Major*** Normally, 30-39 credit hours within one subject area

**Interdisciplinary Major*** Normally, 48-54 credit hours across two or more subject areas

**Option #** No more than 15 semester hours of credit which fall within an approved local and state program.

**Minor*** Normally, 15-18 credit hours within a discipline other than the major

**Certificate-Non Degree** No more than 30 semester hours of credit which fall within an approved program

Graduate

**Degree Programs** A minimum of 30 semester hours

**Option*** No more than 12 semester hours for credit within an approved program

**Certificate-Non Degree** No more than 12 semester hours of credit within an approved program.

**Dual Label Course** Course in which 2 or more subjects share the label; the originating department is responsible for the scheduling, outline, etc., but changes in the course must be approved by both departments.

**Faculty Developed Study** Course offered by a department for one semester only to determine its value to the total departmental program or in response to a particular request from a group of students

#WCSU Policy/local option

*Any department wishing to exceed the regulations set forth by the Board of Governors for Higher Education must seek approval from the State.