

# KEY TERMINOLOGY

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**Credit Hour:** A unit that measures educational credit that is usually based on the number of hours students are in the classroom.

A lecture-based course, whose duration is a full semester (at least 15 weeks), requires a minimum of one classroom - hour (50 minutes) to one credit - hour and two (2) hours of homework for a total of three (3) hours. Total classroom hours must include at least 45-64 hours regardless of the duration of the term.

For courses that include a laboratory section, generally there are two (2) hours of classroom laboratory time spent for each credit hour, based on a minimum 15-week semester. Total classroom laboratory time must include at least 30 hours regardless of the duration of the term.

For work placement courses, including practicum and internship, students are required to spend 60 hours at their work site for each credit hour awarded.

**Concentration:** A concentration is a sub-specialisation within the field of study of the major. A concentration requires a minimum of 15 credits.

**Major:** A major is the field of study in which a student specialises. A major requires a minimum of 30 credits.

**Minor:** A minor is a specialisation outside of the field of study of the major. A minor requires 12-18 credits.