

Credit Hour Definition

Wallace Community College defines a credit hour in accordance with federal regulations 34 CFR 600.2 and the converting Contact Hours to Credit Hour Equivalencies. Alabama Community College System requires institutions to operate on a semester system. Semester hours of credit are then based upon the average number of hours of instruction weekly during a 15-week period, with an hour of instruction defined as not less than 50 minutes of instructor/student contact. A variety of class meeting schedules that fall within this structure may be present within the institutions.