

for students:
1 credit = 3 hrs work
(in or out of class...)

Utah System of Higher Education Credit Hour Definitions Modified to Table Format

	STUDENTS		FACULTY**					
	Student Credit Hour Value	Student expectation of work per week all-inclusive*	Instructional Faculty Contact Hours	Instructional/Faculty Credit Hours (Workload - known as WCHE or workload credit hour equivalents)				
				(<60 students)	(60-100 students)	(101-150 students)	(151-200 students)	(>200 students)
Regular Classes without Lab - The data for this instruction type regards regular classes that do not have a lab component. These are standard fixed credit classes where contact hours equal credit hours. Included in this category would be face to face instruction, distance education, and all other lecture type courses.	1	~3	1	1	1.2	1.4	1.6	1.8
Regular Classes with Lab - The data for this instruction type regards regular classes with a lab component. These are standard fixed credit classes where instruction occurs in both a classroom component and a laboratory setting. Credit bearing labs that do not have an associated regular class should be reported here.	1	~3	Total number of hours the faculty spent in these classes and related labs per week [actual physical presence]	Credit Hour Value + [(Contact Hours - Credit Hour Value) / 2]	Credit Hour Value + [(Contact Hours - Credit Hour Value)/2]*1.2	Credit Hour Value + [(Contact Hours - Credit Hour Value)/2]*1.4	Credit Hour Value + [(Contact Hours - Credit Hour Value)/2]*1.6	Credit Hour Value + [(Contact Hours - Credit Hour Value)/2]*1.8
Supervised Instruction - The data for this instruction type regards faculty involved with supervised instruction which may occur at a remote site that generates student credit hours (e.g. student teaching, internships, clinical, cooperative education, and practicum).	1	~3	1/20 (3 minutes a week per student)	Attempted SCH*[Number Enrolled]/20				
Individualized Instruction - The data for this instruction type regards classes with no defined clock hours where students register term by term and credits offered may not exceed the published credit hour value of an equivalent standard fixed credit class (e.g. directed readings, independent study/projects, senior projects and capstone papers).	1	~3	1/10 (6 minutes a week per student)	Attempted SCH*[Number Enrolled]/10				
Thesis Credit - The data for this instruction type regards thesis credit classes	1	~3	1/6 (10 minutes a week per student)	Attempted SCH*[Number Enrolled]/6				

***Note:** For every student credit hour value it is expected that students will complete approximately three hours of total work per week including class time, lab time, homework time, service time, or other. For a typical class this is one hour in class and two hours of outside work per week per student credit hour value. For labs it is typically three hours in the lab per student credit hour value (with no additional work outside of lab).

****Source:** <https://higheredutah.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/09/USHE-S-11-Instructions.pdf>