

11.06 Core Curriculum

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Policy Statement

This policy provides that the universities and the health science center (academic institutions) of The Texas A&M University System (system) are responsible for the establishment of core curriculum, subject to the approval of the president, provost and the Board of Regents (board). All transfer credits within the common core curriculum are to be accepted.

Reason for Policy

This policy provides for the acceptance of transfer credits from other public academic institutions of higher education which fall under the common core curriculum. This policy allows students to more easily transfer from academic institution to academic institution without losing credit for common lower division courses.

Procedures and Responsibilities

1. The responsibility for the proposal of core curriculum at each system academic institution rests with the faculty, subject to the approval of the respective chief academic officer, chief executive officer, the chancellor and the board. Ultimate authority for curriculum rests with the board.
2. System academic institutions shall accept for transfer all courses identified in the Texas Common Course Numbering System and published in the Academic Course Guide Manual. System academic institutions are not required to apply these credits to specific degree programs.
3. Institutional admissions and grading policies are not restricted by this policy as long as transfer students and native students are treated in like manner with respect to courses in the core curriculum.

Related Statutes, Policies, or Requirements

Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board Rules, Chapter 4, Subchapter B, 19 Tex. Admin. Code Part 1, Chapter 4, Subchapter B

http://www.thecb.state.tx.us/Rules/tac3.cfm?Chapter_ID=4&Subchapter=B

Tex. Educ. Code § 61.822

<http://tlo2.tlc.state.tx.us/statutes/docs/ED/content/htm/ed.003.00.000061.00.htm#61.822.00>

Definitions

Core Curriculum – the curriculum in the liberal arts, humanities, sciences, and political, social, and cultural history that all undergraduates of an institution of higher education are required to complete before receiving an academic undergraduate degree. Core curriculum provisions apply to public colleges and universities, and to academic degree programs offered at health-related institutions.

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