



**POLICY NAME:** Doctoral Program Credit Policy

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** July 1, 2013

**LAST REVIEW:**

**NEXT REVIEW:**

**POLICY OWNER:** Associate Provost and Dean of Graduate Studies

**PROCEDURE CONTACT:** School of Graduate Studies

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**POLICY/PROCEDURE:**

Doctoral programs must include a minimum of 72 credits, of which 12 credits must be for dissertation or capstone experience.

- Up to 40% of the total credits may be in courses completed prior to admission to the program.
- For a 72 credit program, up to 27 credits of coursework may be requested for transfer with the approval of the graduate program.
- Transferred courses may consist of dual-level master's courses, master's courses, dual-level doctoral courses or doctoral level courses.
- No more than 16 dual-level master's courses (cross-listed undergraduate/graduate) may be transferred in to a doctoral program.
- At least 60% of all credits for a doctoral program must be completed at the doctoral level (800-899).