

GENERAL FORMULA FOR CONVERTING CREDITS

Convert quarter credits to semester credits: Divide quarter credits by 1.5.

Examples: 3 quarter credits \div 1.5 = 2 semester credits
 5 quarter credits \div 1.5 = 3.3 semester credits
 180 quarter credits are equal to 120 semester credits ($180 \div 1.5 = 120$)

Convert semester credits to quarter credits: Multiply semester credits by 1.5.

Examples: 2 semester credits \times 1.5 = 3 quarter credits
 3 semester credits \times 1.5 = 4.5 quarter credits
 60 semester credits equal 90 quarter credits ($60 \times 1.5 = 90$)

Three academic quarters equal two academic semesters. This 3 to 2 ratio can also be expressed as $1.5 = 1$, giving us the formulas for conversion listed above.

SEMESTER SYSTEM

15 credit hours per semester \times 2 semesters per year = 30 credits per year.

A two-year program equals approximately 60 credits; a four-year baccalaureate equals approximately 120 credits.

QUARTER SYSTEM

15 credit hours per quarter \times 3 quarters per year = 45 credits per year.

A two-year program equals approximately 90 credits; a four-year baccalaureate equals approximately 180 credits.

CLASSROOM HOURS

There are many variations on classroom scheduling; the following are only for illustration.

Semesters: Generally, students attend a single class 3 hours per week (e.g. Monday/Wednesday/Friday one hour per day, or Tuesday/Thursday 1.5 hours per day) to earn 3 credits. Each student takes about 5 classes each semester to equal 15 credits.

Quarters: Students generally attend a single class one hour per day, five days a week, or two classes, 2.5 hours per week to earn 5 credits. Each student takes about 3 classes each quarter to equal 15 credits.

Generally, a 5-credit quarter course will satisfy a 3-credit semester course requirement, and a 3-credit semester course will satisfy a five credit quarter class requirement (even though it transfer as 4.5 credits.) You should be aware that, in rare cases, once this mathematical formula is applied to your credits in transfer, you may be short a few credits in overall requirements for graduation. Check with your advisor or registrar to verify your courses will satisfy degree requirements and if you will be required to take additional courses.