

Policy Approval Cover Sheet

Date submitted: July 14, 2011
Policy Name: Interim Policy on Physical Education Transfer Credit
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Effective Date: July 2011

Prior review and recommendation by:

Office of the Executive Vice President and Provost, including the Office of the Vice Provost for Academic Affairs and Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs

Review and recommendation by the Office of the General Counsel is required prior to final approval.

Office of the General Counsel:  Date: 7/12/11
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FINAL APPROVAL BY:

Name: Robert N. Shelton

Title: President

Signature: 

Date of Approval: July 14, 2011

Policy not approved:

Return for revision:

Comments:

Please call Betsy Van Valkenburg at (520) 626-8209 when the policy has been approved or if it requires revision. Thank you.

*Att Required -
for Provost Office and Registrar's Office - JMS
14 July 2011*

Interim Policy on Physical Education Courses and Transfer Articulation

University of Arizona

Effective date: July 2011, applicable for students admitted to the University of Arizona for Fall 2011.

Proposed Interim Policy and Procedure:

All physical education courses (including activity courses and participation courses) will be accepted in transfer.

The sending institution must be accredited.

These units will be recorded as elective credit unless a specific articulation agreement is already in place.

There are no limits on the number of PE transfer credits that will be accepted. (However, there are limits on the numbers of general electives that can be used towards degree completion. The acceptance of PE credits in no way guarantees their use towards degree requirements.)

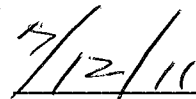
This interim policy will begin for Fall 2011 admission. Students with PE activity course and/or participation course transfer credits from previous semesters can request a review of their previous transfer credits by the Registrar's Office.

Rationale for this change:


In the past, the UA has attempted to make a distinction between PE activity/participation courses and PE educational courses. We have awarded transfer credit for PE educational courses but not activity/participation courses. Making this distinction is difficult to do since course outcomes are frequently similar or identical. The real concern is that an inappropriate number of activity/participation courses could be used towards degree completion. However, we no longer believe that it is necessary to prevent or limit the number of activity/participation courses in order to protect degree credibility. The UAccess degree audit system is an adequate vehicle for monitoring the number of general elective credits that can be used towards degree completion. For the above reasons, all accredited physical education courses (including activity courses and participation courses) will be accepted as transfer credit.

Approvals:


Wanda H. Howell, Chair of the Faculty


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Robert N. Shelton, President


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