Accessory Instruction Model with Syracuse University
(begins Fall Semester, 2013)

This new model is a significant advance for all involved, but for students and academic advisors the implications will take some careful thought. Please read the following. Contact the Registrar's office with questions.

Elements of the Model

• At entry, ESF students will be given an allocation of Syracuse University credit hours (CH) covered by their ESF tuition and fees.
  • For first-time freshmen (non-transfers), the allocation will be 16 CH.
  • For transfer students, the allocation will depend on the number of hours transferred from other institutions.
    • It will decline linearly from 16 CH for students with 0 transfer hours to 4 CH at 90 transfer hours (see attached table). The minimum allocation will be 4 CH.
  • For graduate students, the allocation will be 15 CH at the start of any degree program.
    • Graduate students enrolled concurrently in the Maxwell School MPA will have no CH limits for courses taken toward that degree.
  • ESF students may use only a portion of their allocation during the freshman and sophomore years.
    • First-time freshmen may use no more than 8 hours of their 16 hour allocation during the first 30 hours of college credit earned once they have matriculated at ESF. This will be referred to as the “30 hour limit.”
    • First-time freshmen may use no more than 11 hours of their 16 hour allocation in during the first 60 hours of college credit earned once they have matriculated at ESF. This will be referred to as the “60 hour limit.”
  • Transfer students will also have restrictions on the portion of their SU CH allocations that may be used during the first 30 and first 60 hours of their ESF programs of study (POS). The attached table shows the 30 hour and 60 hour limits for transfer students.
  • ESF students will have the option to purchase additional SU CHs beyond their allocations and to pay for those through a tuition surcharge.
    • The cost per CH will be approximately $351.50.
    • This tuition surcharge will be paid as part of the tuition bill collected by ESF for the semester. ESF will remit the tuition surcharge in full to SU.
    • Students may purchase additional SU credits when they exceed their total credit hour allocation or when they exceed their first year or second year limits.
  • SU students will have access to ESF courses on a space-available basis at no cost to SU or their students (above the tuition they pay to SU).
  • SU may restrict access to some courses.
  • As in the past, these arrangements do not apply to courses taken in the summer, except for students enrolled in the Maxwell MPA program.
  • The program will be piloted for three years to determine if it is operating as expected. If so, it will be continued with an indefinite term. If not, it will be modified.
    • Annual reviews will also be conducted and mid-course corrections made as deemed advisable.

Provisions for Current Students

• To begin the program, current undergraduate ESF students will receive allocations prorated by the number of credit hours already earned (as if they were transfer students).
  • All current undergraduates will be allocated at least 4 CH, regardless of the number of CH they have already completed.
  • Students may petition to the Associate Provost for Instruction for additional allocation to take required courses.
    • SU courses that are requirements in approved ESF minors are considered required in a student’s program of study if the student is already enrolled in the minor. Because minors are optional, SU courses taken to fulfill minors will not be considered required for students who begin minors after February 1, 2013.
  • To begin the program, current graduate ESF students will receive allocations of 15 CU.
  • Current graduates already enrolled in approved concurrent degree programs with SU will have no CH limits for courses taken toward the concurrent SU degree.