

POLICY ON ACADEMIC CREDIT FOR MILITARY SERVICE AND TRAINING

Proposal from the Academic Standards
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Genesis of the Proposal & Proposal Development Process

- Auburn University has the current practices dealing with academic credit for military service and training but there is no formal policy
- A policy proposal from an ad hoc committee
- The policy was proposed for the compliance to the current state law

Proposed Policy

The total credits awarded for military training and service will be **limited to 10 semester credit hours**.

- Service members may earn up to **4 hours of physical education credit** according to the following formula:
 - [Existing Bulletin Language to be Edited]: A student who has served in the Armed Forces (on active duty, in the National Guard, or the Reserves) may receive physical education credits as follows: **2 hours of credit** upon completion of basic training and advanced individual training for those serving on active duty, reserves, or national guard; **4 hours of credit** for active duty service of one year or more.

Proposed Policy

- Service members may earn **up to 6 hours of military science elective credit** for training documented on the JST. If this policy is approved, the transcript evaluator will work with the current Military Sciences leadership to chart equivalencies eligible for credits.
- Service members may earn **up to 6 hours of general elective credit** for other training documented on the JST in accord with this policy.
- At the discretion of the student's academic unit, some upper level elective credits may be allowed to satisfy specific degree requirements by substitution.

(JST - Joint Services Transcript)

Other Restrictions

- Recommendations for credit at the vocational level are not acceptable for credit at AU.
- AU does not award credit for military occupations or for courses with ACE recommendations that are considered **low-level vocational/technical** in nature.
- Duplicate credit recommendations will not be allowed.
- In most cases, credits will be awarded as elective credit.

(ACE – The American Council Education)