

**LOUISIANA COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM**  
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**Minimum Length for Academic Courses**

For one semester hour of credit, a class shall meet a minimum of 750 minutes and span no less than a work week. For two semester hours of credit, a class should meet a minimum of 1,500 minutes and span no less than two work weeks. A three semester hour course should meet a minimum of 2,250 minutes and span no less than three work weeks. Final exam period may be counted as class time when computing required minutes and required days.

**Summer Sessions**

The Board authorizes each institution under its jurisdiction to carry out summer programs of varying length.