



University Policy Impact Statement

Date Sept. 30, 2008 Check One: Revision of Existing Policy New Policy

Policy Number _____ (If known) Policy Name Subsequent Degree Requirements

Originator(s) Enrollment Management

Justification for Proposed Changes or for New Policy (Attach additional sheet if necessary)

The Catalog policy language regarding Subsequent Degrees (section Subsequent Degrees, pg. 49 of the Undergraduate Catalog) is currently being interpreted by the University community in two distinct ways. This is resulting in inconsistent application of the policy. The revised Catalog language would clarify the Subsequent Degrees policy.

Consistency with EKU's Mission and Strategic Plan, Other Policies, and Related External Documents

Cite relevant official statements from EKU or external sources.

Impact on the University

(1) Identify resources (human, financial, physical, operational, technological, other) needed to implement and maintain compliance; (2) Identify changes to EKU's culture and/or behaviors that may be involved.

No significant resources are needed to implement the policy change and maintain compliance.

List Key Stakeholders who have been consulted. Indicate action taken and the date it was taken. Attach additional page if necessary.

<u>Council on Academic Affairs</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Other	Date <u>10/16/08 approved</u>
<u>Faculty Senate</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Other	Date _____
<u>Provost Council</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Other	Date _____
<u>President</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Other	Date _____
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Executive Policy Group Only

Board Approval Required

The current *Catalog* language notes,

“Students having earned one degree, either from Eastern Kentucky University or from another regionally accredited institution, may subsequently pursue an additional degree, either associate or baccalaureate, by completing all requirements of the subsequent degree, including major, supporting, and general education requirements. While some of the hours earned from the earlier degree may count toward the subsequent degree, students must earn at least 16 approved semester hours for an associate degree beyond those required for the earlier degree. A subsequent baccalaureate degree requires at least 32 approved hours beyond those required for the earlier degree. Hours required for both degrees must be taken at Eastern Kentucky University or, as approved by the dean of the college awarding the subsequent degree, at another regionally accredited institution. Students who have completed a previous degree elsewhere and apply to Eastern Kentucky University should have official transcripts from the institutions previously attended sent to Eastern Kentucky University’s Admissions Office.”

Revise the catalog language to state:

Students having earned one degree, either from Eastern Kentucky University or from another regionally accredited institution, may subsequently pursue an additional degree, either associate or baccalaureate, by completing all requirements of the subsequent degree, including major, supporting, and general education requirements. ~~While some of the hours earned from the earlier degree may count toward the subsequent degree,~~ Hours earned prior to the awarding of a first baccalaureate or associate degree may be counted toward the minimum required to earn a subsequent baccalaureate or associate degree. Students must earn at least 16 approved semester hours for an associate degree beyond those required for the earlier degree. A subsequent baccalaureate degree requires at least 32 approved hours beyond those required for the earlier degree. Hours required for both degrees must be taken at Eastern Kentucky University or, as approved by the dean of the college awarding the subsequent degree, at another regionally-accredited institution. Students who have completed a previous degree elsewhere and apply to Eastern Kentucky University, should have official transcripts from the institutions previously attended sent to Eastern Kentucky University’s Admissions Office.