

Regulations for the Implementation of Autonomous Learning Credits at I-Shou University

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- Article 1 The Regulations for the Implementation of Autonomous Learning Credits at I-Shou University (hereinafter referred to as “the Regulations”) are made by I-Shou University (hereinafter referred to as “the University”) with the aim of creating a diverse learning environment and encouraging student-centered learning.
- Article 2 The term “autonomous learning” used herein indicates that students are able to arrange interest-based learning activities on their own between the second semester of the freshman year and the first semester of the senior year under the instructions of faculty members in relevant fields. In principle, such learning activities shall be completed within one academic year.
- Autonomous learning courses offered by the Center for General Education (hereinafter referred to as “the Center”) are governed by the applicable regulations and rules of the Center.
- Article 3 The Curriculum Section of the Office of Academic Affairs shall make entries for autonomous learning courses based on the proposals made by students or academic units and approved by the department-, college-, and university-level Curriculum Committees under the Regulations for the Establishment of Curriculum Committees

at I-Shou University.

Autonomous learning courses designed by administrative units shall be submitted to the university-level Curriculum Committee by the Curriculum Section after being approved at the meeting of the administrative unit offering the course.

Article 4 The requirements for the recognition of autonomous learning credits are as follows:

1. Up to two credits will be recognized per proposal.
2. Students can earn up to six credits from college-level, department-level, or program-level autonomous learning courses.
3. In principle, autonomous learning courses include foreign language courses offered by overseas universities recognized by the Ministry of Education, certified courses from external online platforms (such as EdX, Coursera, Udacity, TaiwanLIFE, or Ewant), and additional learning activities embedded in courses offered by the University to further enhance students' self-directed learning.
4. To recognize autonomous learning credits, depending on the types of autonomous learning, certain certificates and/or documents specifying the learning process, duration, and achievements shall be provided.
5. All participating members shall be listed on the proposal.

The aforementioned courses shall not overlap with the existing courses offered by the University.

Article 5 After having completed an autonomous learning course, students may complete and submit an application form for the recognition of autonomous learning credits to their departments (programs or degree programs), along with supporting documents, by December 10 (for the first semester) or May 10 (for the second semester) every year.

Article 6 Departments (programs or degree programs) shall compile and submit the aforementioned applications they have received to the Curriculum Committee for review under the Regulation and based on proposals. The review results shall be announced by December 31 (for the first semester) or May 31 (for the second semester) every year. Departments (programs or degree programs) shall then complete the credit registration for students who have passed the review. For students of evening programs, no credit registration will be conducted until relevant credit fees are paid.

Article 7 Autonomous learning credits will be recognized in the following semester after the courses are completed, and those credits will be regarded as part of graduation

credits. The assessment criteria for autonomous learning will be “Passed” or “Failed” only. The score for autonomous learning will not be included when the average semester grade is being calculated, and autonomous learning credits will be excluded when it comes to the required minimum number of credits every semester and the expulsion standards.

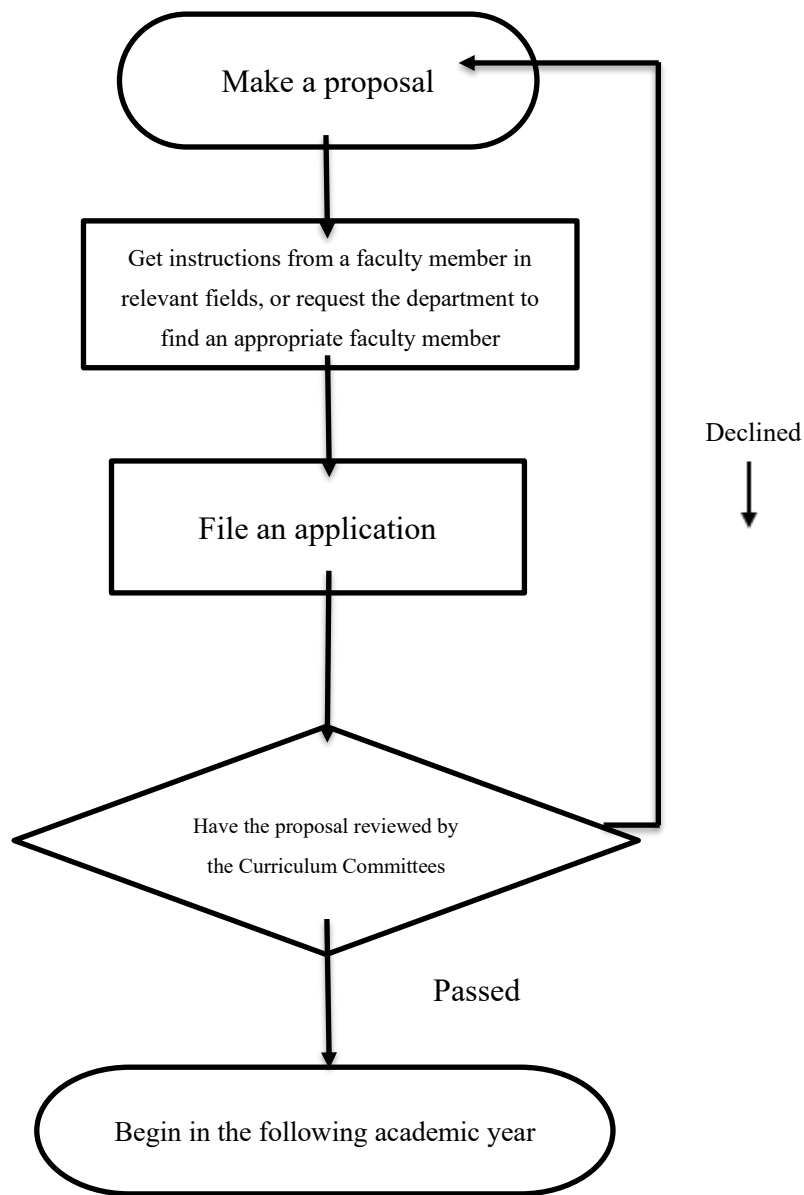
Article 8 To encourage students to take e-courses actively, rewards may be provided to those who have taken courses on foreign platforms (such as Coursera, edX, FutureLearn, or Udacity), obtained a course completion certificate, passed the evaluation, and earned the credits.

Article 9 Only credits of the autonomous learning courses completed by students during the prescribed duration of study at the University will be recognized as autonomous learning credits.

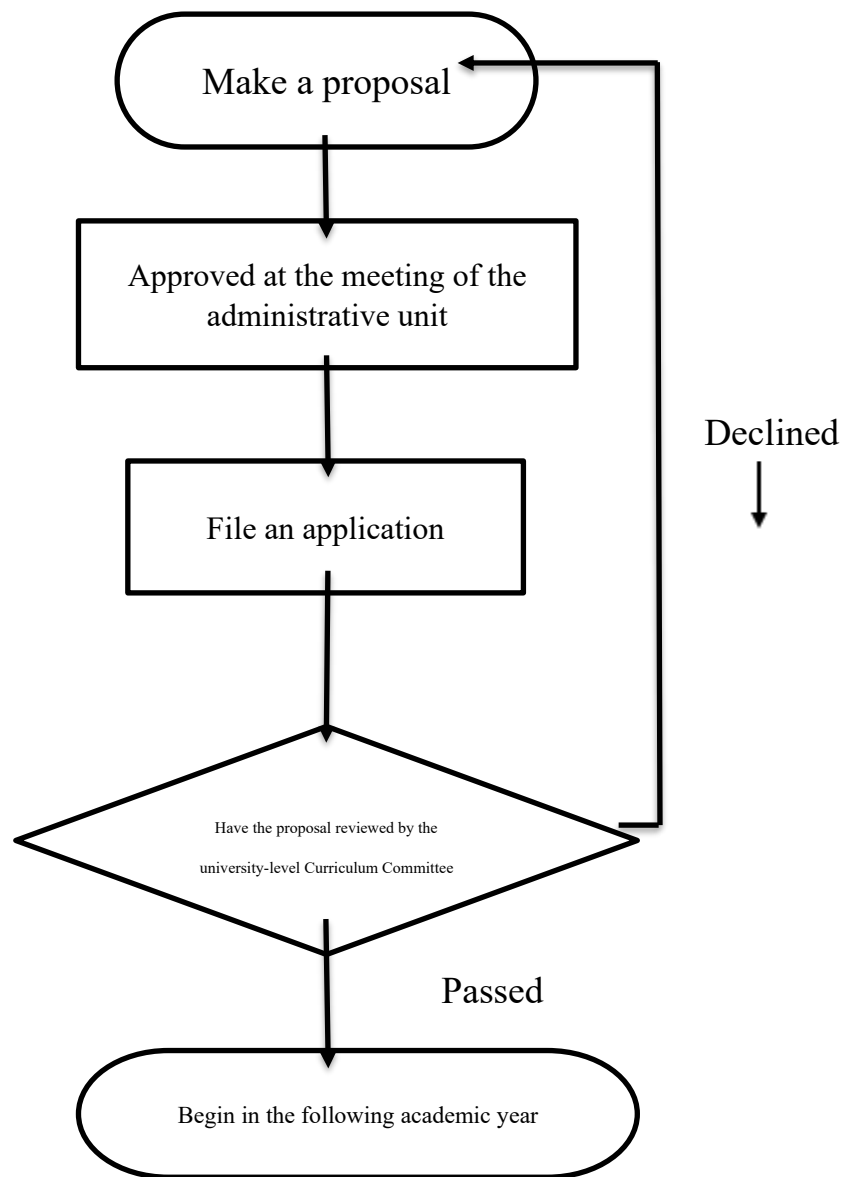
Article 10 The Regulations become effective on the third day of promulgation after being adopted by the University Administration Council and ratified by the President.

Note: In case of any disputes or misunderstandings regarding the interpretation of the language or terms of the Regulations, the Chinese language version shall prevail.

Application Flow Chart (Academic Units)



Application Flow Chart (Administrative Units)



Flow Chart for Autonomous Learning Credit Recognition

