

# **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 subject to 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 undergraduate students and approved by the department-, college-, and university-level Curriculum Committees under the Regulations for the Establishment of Curriculum Committees at I-Shou University.
- 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.      Each student can earn up to six credits from college-level, department-level, or program-level autonomous learning courses.
  3.      Autonomous learning courses are limited to foreign language courses provided by foreign universities recognized by the Ministry of Education,

courses provided by online course platforms (including EdX, Coursera, and Udacity), and learning activities relating to the courses offered by the University.

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 aforesaid 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), along with supporting documents, by December 10 (for the first semester) or May 10 (for the second semester) every year.

Article 6 Departments (programs) shall compile and submit the aforesaid applications they have received to the Curriculum Committee for review under the Regulation and based on proposals, and the review results shall be announced by December 31 (for the first semester) or May 31 (for the second semester) every year. Departments (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 courses will be excluded when it comes to the minimum number of credits every semester and the expulsion standards.

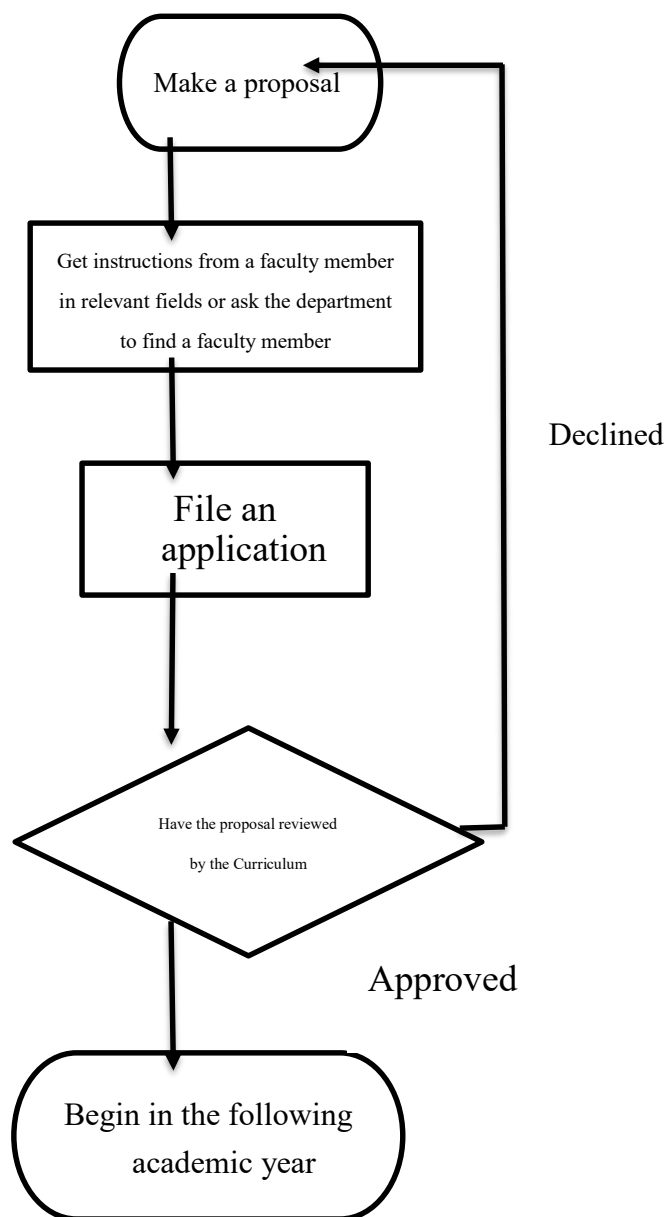
Article 8 To encourage students to take e-courses actively, rewards may be provided to those who have taken courses on foreign platforms, including Coursera, edX, FutureLearn, and Udacity, obtained a course completion certificate, passed the evaluation, and earned the credits.

Article 9 Only the credits of the autonomous learning courses completed by students during the prescribed duration of study 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 the event of any disputes or misunderstanding as to the interpretation of the language or terms of these Regulations, the Chinese language version shall prevail.*

# Application Flow Chart



## Flow Chart for Autonomous Learning Credit Recognition

