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**Exceptions to the 120-Credit Requirement in Board of Governors' Policy 1990-06A: Academic Degrees**

Selected System-wide baccalaureate degree programs have been granted an exception to the 120-credit maximum requirement because of extensive regulatory requirements, accreditation requirements, or other requirements.

**Education**

The following programs will be permitted graduation credit totals not to exceed 123 credits.

- Communications (7-12)
- Cooperative Education (7-12)
- Environmental Education (PreK-12)
- Family-Consumer Science (PreK-12)
- Health (PreK-12)
- Hearing Impaired (PreK-12)
- Language (PreK-12)
- English
- French
- German
- Latin
- Russian
- Spanish
- Library Science (PreK-12)
- Social Sciences (7-12)
- Social Studies (7-12)
- Upper Elementary/Middle Level (Grades 4-8) Education

The following programs will be permitted graduation credit totals not to exceed 129 credits.

- Art (PreK-12)
- Business-Computer-Information Technology (PreK-12)
- Citizenship (7-12)
- Health and Physical Education (Pre-K-12)
- Mathematics (7-12)
- Music (PreK-12)
- Science (7-12)
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Earth and Space
- General Science
- Physics
- Technology Education (PreK-12)

The following programs will be permitted graduation credit totals not to exceed 135 credits.

- Special Education/PreK-4 Dual Certification
- Special Education/Upper Elementary/Middle Level (4-8) Dual Certification

The following programs will be permitted graduation credit totals to include up to 18 additional credits.

- For Special Education combined with secondary (7-12) or special (P-12) certificates, up to 18 hours may be added to the approved length of program to accommodate the Special Education certification.
  - Thus a program previously approved for 123 hours by the Board of Governors (e.g., Social Studies) may require up to 141 credit hours, or a program approved for 129 credit hours (e.g., Biology) may require as many as 147 credit hours to complete both certifications.

### **Other**

The following programs will be permitted graduation credit totals not to exceed 123 credits.

- Music
- Music Performance
- Music Therapy
- Music Business

The following programs will be permitted graduation credit totals not to exceed 126 credits.

- Respiratory Therapy

The following programs will be permitted graduation credit totals not to exceed 124 credits.

### **Bloomsburg**

- B.S. Electrical and Electronics Engineering Technology

### **California**

- B.S. Electrical Engineering Technology
- B.S. Computer Engineering Technology

The following programs will be permitted graduation credit totals not to exceed 128 credits.

### **Slippery Rock**

- B.S. Petroleum and Natural Gas Engineering