Annex A
TITLE 22. EDUCATION
PART I. STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
SUBPART C. HIGHER EDUCATION
CHAPTER 31. GENERAL PROVISIONS

ACADEMIC PROGRAM

§ 31.21. Curricula.

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(b) Degree requirements stated in this section may be stated in terms of semester credit
hours or quarter credit hours, as determined by the institution and conforming to generally
accepted academic practices. General education, as defined in this section, refers to the
curricular inclusion of humanities, arts, communications, social sciences, mathematics,
technology and science courses in support of the mission of the institution. A semester credit
hour represents a unit of curricular material that normally can be taught in a minimum of 14
hours of classroom instruction, plus appropriate outside preparation or the equivalent as
determined by the faculty. A quarter credit hour represents a unit of curricular material that
normally can be taught in a minimum of 10 hours of classroom instruction, plus appropriate
outside preparation or the equivalent as determined by the faculty.

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(2) A specialized associate degree must require the satisfactory completion of at least 60
semester credit hours [with] or a minimum of 1,500 clock hours or a minimum of 90 quarter
credit hours. At least 70%, but no more than 80%, of the program must consist of specialized

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instruction that bears directly upon the employment objectives of the program; and at least 20% of the program must consist of general education.

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