6A-10.0244 Statewide Award of Uniform Postsecondary Credit for Specified Training and Experience

- (1) Purpose: It is the intent of the Board of Governors in regulation and the State Board of Education in rule to facilitate articulation and seamless integration of the education system by agreeing to the provisions of section 1007.23, F.S. To fulfill this statute and Rule 6A-10.024, F.A.C., the following is established. For the benefit of students who received prior training or experience in service to the community, state, or nation as a law enforcement officer, or through military service, the award of uniform postsecondary credit is established herein.
 - (2) Credit for Military Experience.
- (a) The Credit or Clock Hour for Military Experience Equivalency List ("Military Equivalency List") contains a list of military courses, training, and occupations which have been evaluated to determine equivalency and alignment with courses taught in Florida's public state universities, Florida College System institutions, and school district career centers. The Military Equivalency List, Effective August 2024, is herein incorporated by reference (DOS link). The list may be requested from the Office of K-20 Articulation, Florida Department of Education, 325 West Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399.
- (b) Where the student's military course(s) or occupation(s) is found on the Military Equivalency List and the student's record demonstrates that the student earned the required passing score in a military course, or held the rank associated with the occupation, a public postsecondary institution or district career center must award a student the minimum number of credit hours or equivalent clock hours listed in the fourth or fifth columns, respectively, as found on the Military Equivalency List. toward the applicable program of study.
- (c) Where the student's military course(s) or occupation(s) is not found on the Military Equivalency List, a public postsecondary institution or district career center must evaluate the student's experience using its policies and procedures for awarding military credit or clock hours. Such policies must include evaluation of military coursework to determine equivalency and alignment with postsecondary learning outcomes and course descriptions.
- (d) To determine the postsecondary courses for which to award credit for military course(s) or occupation(s), institutions must consider each student's program of study and the institution's course offerings within each discipline area. Columns six (6) and seven (7) of the Military Equivalency List contain recommended credits by discipline and aligned courses to guide course selection. Column eight (8) contains recommended clock hour courses by discipline. When credits or clock hours are awarded for military experience under paragraph (2)(b) or (c) of this rule, credit must be awarded in the following rank order:

- 1. First, general education courses;
- 2. Second, program-specific courses; and
- 3. Third, elective courses.
- (e) Course numbers on the Military Equivalency List correspond to postsecondary courses on the Statewide

 Course Numbering System, described in Section 1007.24, F.S., or in the Career Education Curriculum Frameworks,

 described in Rule 6A-6.0571, F.A.C.
 - (3) Credit for Law Enforcement Experience.
- (a) The Credit or Clock Hour for Law Enforcement Experience Equivalency List ("Law Enforcement Equivalency List") contains a list of law enforcement courses and trainings which have been evaluated to determine equivalency and alignment with courses taught in Florida's public state universities, Florida College System institutions, and school district career centers. The Law Enforcement Equivalency List, Effective August 2024, is herein incorporated by reference (DOS link). The list may be requested from the Office of K-20 Articulation, Florida Department of Education, 325 West Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399.
- (b) Where the student's law enforcement course(s) or occupation(s) is found on the Law Enforcement

 Equivalency List and the student's record demonstrates that the student successfully completed the law enforcement course or training, a public postsecondary institution or district career center must award a student the minimum number of credit hours or equivalent clock hours listed in the Law Enforcement Equivalency List in columns five and six, as appropriate, toward the applicable program of study.
- (c) Where the student's law enforcement course(s) or training(s) is not found on the Law Enforcement

 Equivalency List, a public postsecondary institution or district career center must evaluate the student's experience

 using its policies and procedures for awarding law enforcement credit or clock hours. Such policies must include

 evaluation of law enforcement coursework to determine equivalency and alignment with postsecondary learning

 outcomes and course descriptions.
- (d) To determine the postsecondary courses for which to award credit for law enforcement course(s) or training(s), institutions must consider each student's program of study and the institution's course offerings within each discipline area. Columns five (5) through seven (7) of the Law Enforcement Equivalency List contain recommended credits and aligned courses to guide course selection. When credits or clock hours are awarded for law enforcement experience under paragraph (3)(b) or (3)(c) of this rule, credit must be awarded in the following

rank order:

- 1. First, general education courses;
- 2. Second, program-specific courses; and
- 3. Third, elective courses.
- (e) Course numbers on the Law Enforcement Equivalency List correspond to postsecondary courses on the Statewide Course Numbering System, described in Section 1007.24, F.S., or in the Career Education Curriculum Frameworks, described in Rule 6A-6.0571, F.A.C.
- (4) Credit for Military Medical Specialist or Technician Experience. To ensure the award of uniform

 postsecondary credit or clock hours to an Army Combat Medic Specialist, Navy or Fleet Marine Force Hospital

 Corpsman, Air Force or Space Force Aerospace Medical Service Technician, or Coast Guard Health Services

 Technician in an accredited program, the following list must be used.
- (a) The Credit or Clock Hour for Military Medical Specialist or Technician Equivalency List ("Military Medical Specialist Equivalency List") contains a list of military courses, training, and occupations which have been evaluated to determine equivalency and alignment with courses taught in Florida's public state universities, Florida College System institutions, and school district career centers. The Military Medical Specialist Equivalency List, Effective August 2024, is herein incorporated by reference (DOS link). The list may be requested from the Office of K-20 Articulation, Florida Department of Education, 325 West Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399.
- (b) Where the student's military course(s) or occupation(s) is found on the Military Medical Specialist

 Equivalency List and the student's record demonstrates that the student earned the required passing score in a military course, or held the rank associated with the occupation, a public postsecondary institution or district career center must award a student the minimum number of credit hours or equivalent clock hours listed in the fourth or fifth columns, respectively, as found on the Military Medical Specialist Equivalency List, toward the applicable program of study.
- (c) Where the student's military course(s) or occupation(s) is not found on the Military Medical Specialist

 Equivalency List, a public postsecondary institution or district career center must evaluate the student's experience using its policies and procedures for awarding postsecondary credit or clock hours. Such policies must include evaluation of military coursework to determine equivalency and alignment with postsecondary learning outcomes and course descriptions.

- (d) To determine the postsecondary courses for which to award credit for military course(s) or occupation(s), institutions must consider each student's program of study and the institution's course offerings. Columns six (6) and seven (7) of the Military Medical Specialist Equivalency List contain recommended credits and aligned courses to guide course selection. Column eight contains recommended aligned clock hour courses to guide course selection. When credits or clock hours are awarded for military experience under paragraph (4)(b) or (c) of this rule, credit must be awarded in the following rank order:
 - 1. First, general education courses;
 - 2. Second, program-specific courses; and
 - 3. Third, elective courses.
- (e) Course numbers on the Military Medical Specialist Equivalency List correspond to postsecondary courses on the Statewide Course Numbering System, described in Section 1007.24, F.S., or in the Career Education

 Curriculum Frameworks, described in Rule 6A-6.0571, F.A.C.

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