

Resolution to Modify Undergraduate Catalog of Entry Policy

Educational Policy and Student Affairs (EPSA) Committee

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Whereas OHIO's current catalog of entry policy was created more than 35 years ago and states that a student's university catalog of entry is established during the student's initial term of enrollment in which any OHIO coursework is first completed,

Whereas the catalog in effect for the term in which a student first completes coursework at Ohio University becomes the student's university and major program catalog of entry and is used to determine a student's university-wide and college-level academic requirements as well as academic policies a student must follow for the next five years,

Whereas OHIO's catalog of entry policy applies to students enrolled in non-degree programs including students enrolled through College Credit Plus,

Whereas College Credit Plus is a statewide dual enrollment program that provides students in grades 7-12 the opportunity to earn college and high school credits at the same time by taking courses from Ohio colleges or universities, and

Whereas the current catalog of entry policy means that students enrolled in non-degree programs such as College Credit Plus will have their catalog of entry established as many as five years before starting a degree program.

Be it resolved that the Catalog of Entry policy be modified to establish catalog of entry during the student's enrollment in a degree program with language in the Undergraduate Catalog to be modified as follows:

Catalog of Entry

The undergraduate catalog is published for an academic year, which comprises fall through summer semesters. For example, the 2020-21 academic year is fall 2020, spring 2021, and summer 2021. The catalog in effect for the term in which you first ~~complete coursework~~enroll in a degree program at Ohio University becomes your University and Major Program Catalog of Entry. This catalog defines the Universitywide and college-level academic requirements you must complete and academic policies you must follow for the next five years.

After five years from your ~~initial registration~~enrollment in a degree program, your college may choose to update either or both catalogs as they pertain to requirements for graduation. Offices responsible for enforcing other University policies, such as graduation with honor, for example, may apply the current Universitywide policies to existing students after five years.

Either major or nonmajor requirement changes made necessary by altered or discontinued courses, or by requirements imposed by external accrediting or certification agencies will be resolved on an individual basis by the dean of your college. Whenever possible, new requirements will be implemented with a beginning class or upon the expiration of the appropriate time limit.