MOTION:

The Faculty Senate moves to update the description of academic credit calculations to align with current practices.

RATIONALE: The policy is written in several publicly posted places, such as the governance website, on new course submission forms, and in the catalogue, and the wording and thus interpretations vary. The following statement regarding credit hours will replace all such wording in order to enhance understanding and interpretation of how credit hours are actually calculated.

Website version:
The following standards establish the minimum requirements for one academic unit of credit for the course formats commonly used at UAF:

800 minutes of lecture or equivalent instructional activities plus 1600 minutes of student work outside of class.
2400 minutes of science laboratory.
1600 minutes of laboratory (non-science lab) plus 800 minutes of student work outside of class.
2400 - 4800 minutes of supervised practicum
2400 - 8000 minutes of internship (or externship, clinical)
2400 - 4800 minutes of supervised scholarly activity

Short form version:
# of credits are based on contact hours. 800 minutes of lecture + 1600 minutes of outside work=1 credit. 2400 minutes of lab in a science course=1 credit. 1600 minutes in non-science lab + 800 minutes of outside work=1 credit. 2400-4800 minutes of practicum or supervised scholarly activity=1 credit. 2400-8000 minutes of internship or externship=1 credit.

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The Chancellor: Approves Vetoes Acknowledges

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