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Dual Degree Agreements between Eastern Kentucky University and Foreign Exchange Institutions

Policy Statement

The following policies and procedures shall govern arrangements to award dual degrees to foreign students who attend Eastern Kentucky University and to ECU students who attend foreign exchange institutions under the auspices of exchange agreements or other agreements.

1. The dual bachelor's degree agreement shall be developed by the deans of participating colleges in cooperation with appropriate representatives from foreign exchange institutions and shall be submitted to the Provost for final approval.
2. The deans and department chairs shall determine exactly which courses need to be taken by the foreign candidates to complete the major in each given field of study, and these courses must be specified. Likewise, they shall determine which courses ECU students must take at the foreign institution to complete their ECU degrees.
3. Dual degree arrangements will normally require at least one full academic year in residence at the host institution (25% of the total semester hours) and three years at the home institution (75% of the total semester hours). However, other variations may be approved by the deans of the colleges for their respective colleges.
4. Each institution shall accept all course work from the other either as elective credit or as credit required for courses, based on transfer equivalency evaluations.
5. If dual degrees are awarded concurrently, the program must at minimum meet SACS, CPE, and the college, departmental, and program requirements for general education, either by taking the general education courses or by transfer credit or by a combination of these means. If the foreign degree is awarded a year or a semester in advance, then the candidate will be awarded post-baccalaureate status and the general education requirement will no longer be applicable.
6. A copy of each dual degree agreement approved by the Provost shall be kept on file in the International Education Office, and that office shall also maintain a file of ECU students who are attending foreign institutions under a dual degree agreement as well as foreign students who are attending ECU under dual degree agreement.

Entities Affected by the Policy

- Students
- Colleges
- Departments
- Office of the Registrar

Interpreting Authority

Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs

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