

**TITLE 133
PROCEDURAL RULE**

WEST VIRGINIA HIGHER EDUCATION POLICY COMMISSION

**SERIES 18
ASSIGNMENT of ACADEMIC CREDIT and FINANCING NONCREDIT INSTRUCTION**

1. GENERAL

- 1.1 Scope - This rule governs assignment of academic credit and financing noncredit instruction.
- 1.2 Authority - West Virginia Code § 18B-1B-4
- 1.3 Filing Date - May 22, 2002
- 1.4 Effective Date – June 22, 2002
- 1.5 Repeals and replaces Title 128, Series 50, and Title 131, Series 50 dated September 11, 1979.

2. POLICY

- 2.1 All courses and classes offered for academic credit must be acceptable toward a degree or certificate program(s) as approved by the institutional governing board, and if required, also approved by the Higher Education Policy Commission and/or the institutionally-adopted general education program(s) as set forth in the college catalog(s). Courses and classes offered by an institution in a partnership arrangement with another West Virginia public state college or university must also count for academic credit toward a degree or certificate program(s) at the receiving institution.
- 2.2 Two exceptions may be made to this general policy:
 - 2.2.1 Those courses offered for remedial purposes in the basic academic skills areas (foundation programs);
 - 2.2.2 Certain specialized courses designed to meet the continuing education needs of public and private school personnel.
- 2.3 Courses and classes not qualifying for academic credit may be assigned C.E.U. value, in accordance with standards established by the appropriate institutional governing board.
- 2.4 Except as may be specifically allocated or approved by the board, no state appropriated funds may be utilized for the direct and identifiable costs of noncredit courses and classes. It is expected that course and class fees and/or contract or gift funds will cover all identifiable direct cost of noncredit courses and classes.