



ACADEMIC AFFAIRS POLICY

NUMBER/TITLE: AA-150, THIRD PARTY PARTNERSHIP

Covered Individuals: Undergraduate and Graduate Students

Strategic Priority: SP 2.3

Covered Locations: All locations

HLC: Criterion 3.d

Effective Date: April 9, 2025

Consultations: Interim CAO; Dean of Academic & Educational Affairs; Registrar; Executive Director, FS; Director, MVA; Faculty (Academic Affairs Committee)

POLICY STATEMENT

To establish guidelines for third-party academic partnerships to ensure academic integrity, credit transferability, and compliance with accreditation standards.

PURPOSE

To define enrollment and credit transfer limits for students in third-party partnership programs while maintaining academic excellence and regulatory compliance.

DEFINITIONS

All definitions can be found in the Academic Affairs Glossary (unless new, then listed below).

POLICY IMPLEMENTATION

Accounting Partnership: Graduate Credit

- Students can only take 12 accounting graduate credits as non-degree seeking through the Accounting Partner.
 - Exceptions include:
 - If an individual is working towards a 15-credit post-graduate certificate
 - If approved by the MBA Director to take more than 12.
- If a student decides to be a degree-seeking student at UIU, all 12 of the accounting graduate credits can be applied to the Master of Business Administration degree.

Accounting Partnership: Undergraduate Credit

- Students can only take up to 30 undergraduate credit hours as non-degree seeking through the Accounting Partner.
 - If a student decides to be a degree-seeking student at UIU, all courses will be evaluated toward the degree program of the student's choice.

Pre-Professional Partnership: Undergraduate Credit

- Students can only take up to 30 undergraduate credit hours as non-degree seeking through the Pre-professional Partner.
 - If a student decides to be a degree-seeking student at UIU, all courses will be evaluated toward the degree program of the student's choice.

Education Partnership: Graduate Credit

- Students can take unlimited education graduate credits as non-degree seeking through the Education Partner.
- If a student decides to be a degree-seeking student at UIU, up to 12 education graduate credits through the Education Partner can be applied to the Master of Education Program for graduate electives.

Rize is not included in this policy.

CUSTODIAN

Chief Academic Officer (CAO)

RELATED DOCUMENTS, FORMS, AND POLICIES

None

HISTORY

New/Revision Number	Date of Action/Approval	Revision Change
AA-150	April 9, 2025 (by PC)	New policy.