

Senate Policy

Residency Requirement, Undergraduate

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Description:

The residency requirement policy outlines the minimum number of OCAD University credits a student must complete to be awarded an undergraduate degree from OCAD University.

Approvals:

Approved by Academic Council: 1998

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Approved by Senate: February 2015

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Approval Authority: Senate

Signature: Keith Rushton, Chair

Policy:

OCAD University (OCAD U) is the sole arbiter of standards for admission to its areas of study and bases its offers of admission on the evidence of an applicant's interests in working within, and ability to benefit from, OCAD U's programs of study and course offerings. Based upon this principle, the university requires students to complete at least half of their graduation requirements at OCAD U

Students must complete a minimum of 50% of their degree requirements, normally 10.0 credits, in residence at OCAD University, i.e. through courses offered by the university.

Two out of a student's three final semesters prior to graduation (assuming completion of 2.5 credits per semester), including the final semester, must be completed in residence at the university. By exception, and subject to the overall

residency requirement, students may request approval from their Dean to complete their final 0.5 credit on Letter of Permission at another accredited post-secondary institution.

Any credits completed through off-campus study (Letter of Permission, Independent Study Abroad, Mobility/Exchange) and/or any credit(s) gained through Course Challenge cannot be used to fulfill the university's residency requirements.