

**Virginia State University  
Academic Policy**

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**Date of Revision:**

**POLICY NO. 2201**

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Program Length Requirements</b>
<b>Authority</b>	<b>Office of the Provost</b>
<b>Applicability</b>	<b>Academic Instructional Units</b>

**I. Purpose**

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that all programs offered at Virginia State University (VSU) meet the minimum program length requirements matching best practices.

**II. Policy**

Virginia State University requires all academic programs to follow best practices regarding the minimum program length.

The faculty shall recommend to the President instructional programs at the levels the institution has been authorized by the State Council on Higher Education of Virginia (SCHEV) to confer. Each program must adhere to the following minimum length requirements:

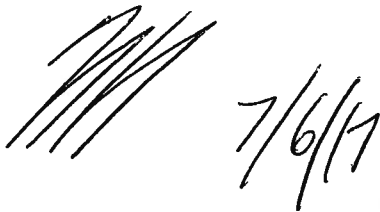
Bachelor's Degree Programs shall require a minimum of 120 credit hours.

Master's Programs shall require a minimum of 30 graduate credits hours.

Doctoral Programs shall require a minimum of 60 graduate credits hours.

**III. Accountability/Responsibilities:**

The faculty of each academic instructional unit is responsible for ensuring that programs offered comply with the minimum requirements listed within this policy.



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