

**Middle Tennessee State University
Admissions and Standards Committee**

**Thursday, March 5th, 2020
Student Union, Room 218**

Members Present: Lei Miao, Rich Barnet, Jenny Marchand, Lee Wade, Louis Haas (Chair), Blake Harrison

Ex-Officio Present: Teresa Thomas, Laurie Witherow

Proposal Presenters: Peter Cunningham, Provost's Office; Susan Fieldhouse, Registrar

Proposals:

Change to policies regarding degree requirements (five sections) presented by Peter Cunningham

1. Change 1: 42 semester hours to 36 semester hours of junior and senior level courses. Discussion: 53% of students are now transfer, and this would put us in line with peer institutions. Retroactive applied. Vote: unanimous approval

2. Change 2: From 30 semester hours to 12 semester hours of junior/senior courses must be completed, but specified hours must be in major. Not retroactive. Discussion: Brings in line with current standards and will alleviate waivers/exemptions. Vote: unanimous approval

3. Change 3: Minimum of 60 hours of senior credit to 50 hours of senior credit. Discussion: This is a fix from the reduction of outdated 132 hour requirement to 120 requirement for degree, which is current standard. Vote: unanimous approval

4. Change 4: With Dean approval, change from six of last 18 hours to 12 of last 30 hours can be completed at another university or via CLEP. Discussion: This is to allow students who study abroad to finish a full semester abroad and to be eligible for financial aid. Retroactive. Vote: unanimous approval

5. Change 5: For a 2nd bachelor's degree, change from minimum of 15 hours at MTSU out of 30 to 12 hours at MTSU out of 30 hours in upper division for each bachelor's degree beyond first. Credit beyond assessment may not be used. Not retroactive. Vote unanimous approval