

Chapter 36: Graduation Requirements

Rule 36.3 Policies for Carnegie Unit Credit.

1. Any Mississippi public school student shall not be awarded Carnegie Unit credit unless the core objectives identified in the Mississippi College and Career-Ready Standards or Mississippi Curriculum Framework have been mastered.
2. For students entering a Mississippi public school from a regionally accredited private school or public school in another state for which the school did not award a Carnegie Unit even though the student successfully completed a course, the district may accept the course as meeting the requirement for the *Required Subjects* for a diploma in the state of Mississippi provided the district determines that the content of the course taken is comparable. However, the total *Carnegie Unit* requirement for the *Curriculum Area* remains the same.
3. Students entering a public school in Mississippi from any regionally accredited public or private school that awarded a Carnegie Unit for the successful completion of a course, the district may accept the course as meeting the requirement for the “Required Subject” in Appendix A of the *Mississippi Public School Accountability Standards*.
4. Any student previously enrolled in a Mississippi public school that failed an end-of-course Subject Area Test and later transfers credit for the same end-of-course Subject Area Test from either a private/nonpublic school that is accredited regionally or by the state of Mississippi or an out-of-state public school must meet one of the graduation options in State Board Policy Chapter 36, Rule 36.4.
5. Once a student earns a Carnegie Unit in any course, the course may not be retaken to earn a new or additional course grade. This policy includes any Carnegie Unit credit that may be awarded at a private or non-public school after the student has earned an initial Carnegie Unit credit in a course.

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