## **IV. TRANSFER CREDITS**

## A. Transfer Credits Process <sup>1</sup> (revised by faculty 12/2019)

- 1. Per New England Commission Higher Education (NECHE) Standards for Accreditation 4.41, credits from other institutions toward the awarding of a graduate degree at this institution are permitted on a strictly limited basis to ensure the integrity of the degree awarded.
- 2. Up to 9 of the elective credits required for a graduate degree may be credits earned at another accredited institution's graduate program if those credits at the other institution did not lead to the granting of a degree from that institution. These credits will be awarded at this institution toward a graduate degree only upon approval of the chair of the applicable graduate program. The standards to apply in considering allowing the transferred credits are as follows:
  - a. the course must be substantially the equivalent of the corresponding course in UNH Law's curriculum;
  - b. the hours of credit for such courses must be not less than one (1) hour less than the credit hours granted for UNH Law's corresponding course (Revised by faculty 6/1/2018);
  - c. To obtain credit, a grade of C or better must be earned, as determined under subdivision 4 of this rule; and,
    - i. The grade earned in the other institution will not be included in the student's GPA.
  - d. The allowable transfer credit shall be the credit granted by the school at which the credit is earned, irrespective of whether UNH Law allows more or less credit for a substantially similar course.
- 3. Any student or prospective student with an application on file may apply for transfer credits in accordance with this rule by providing the following to the Chair of the respective graduate program via e-mail to the Chair no later than 10 days prior to matriculation:
  - a. Official Transcript
  - b. Course Descriptions: The course description should provide sufficient information for the program director to assess whether the contents of the offering would be approved for inclusion in UNH Law's curriculum.
  - c. Syllabi (if available)
  - d. Any other pertinent information (that the Chair of the respective graduate program determines is necessary)
- All transferred in credits are counted against the student's quota of pass/fall classes.

## **B. Required Course Waiver**

Upon petition by a residential graduate degree candidate, the Associate Dean or Designee may waive a graduate course requirement if the candidate has achieved a grade with a value of 2.0 or greater in a course, offered by an ABA-approved law school, that is substantially the same as the UNH Law required course. Such a waiver does not transfer credits in but does permit the student to substitute another UNH Law course for the waived required course.