

Cube: CU-HED SCH

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Purpose:

Provide capability for analysis of budgetary instructional credit hour data

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Data Source:

Data submitted by NMSU to HED, per HED requirement

Description:

Student Credit Hour dollars are calculated based upon the tier factor grid, which is a component of the state appropriation funding formula. It is however only a component; the overall level of new formula funding actually received for instruction and general functions in any fiscal year is based upon a series of formula elements. As such, this dollar computation is an estimate only, and may be quite different from the actual final dollars appropriated to the University, especially under enrollment band workload funding constraints. The dollar-weighted student credit hours are included only to provide an idea of the magnitude of the impact of division and tier factors upon the workload computation. Please be advised that this does not represent the final funding allocation, which is subject to the legislative process and approval, or the final budgetary allocation within NMSU, which is subject to the approval of the President of the University and the Board of Regents.

Measures:

Hours

Student Credit Hours (SCH) as reported by NMSU to the HED.

Dollars

Dollars are calculated by multiplying measure Hours by the appropriate HED division/tier grid factor.

Dimensions:

College

-Department

--Prefix

---Course

----Section

College is a nested dimension. The College dimension represents the owning college, department, course prefix, course, and section of the generated SCH. Honors courses are attributed to the appropriate department. Courses not directly related to a particular department are classified in a miscellaneous college. Honors thesis, etc reside in the miscellaneous college designation.

HED_Year

-Semester

HED_Year is a nested dimension. The HED_Year dimension represents the year and semester of the generated SCH. The HED defines a year for funding purposes as Summer through Spring. Summer sessions are combined as one reportable semester unit.

Division

Division is a solitary dimension. The Division dimension represents the course's division: Lower Division, Upper Division and Graduate. The HED places ascending funding formula dollar factors upon these divisions. The division dimension does not represent the student's division.

Level

-Division

Level is a nested dimension. The Level dimension provides an alternate break of course by Undergraduate and Graduate level. In addition, division is nested within level, as an alternate drill mechanism. The level dimension does not represent the student's level.

Tier

Tier is a solitary dimension. The Tier dimension represents the HED's funding formula tier factors. The HED has assigned courses to a tier dependent on the relative cost of delivering instruction. The tier assignments are based on the course's Classification of Instructional Program (CIP) code, as defined by the U.S. Department of Education's National Center for Education Statistics and assigned in the Student administrative system. Tier 0 is assigned to courses ineligible for HED formula funding. Reference: <http://nces.ed.gov/pubs2002/cip2000/>

Cluster

Cluster is a solitary dimension. The Cluster dimension represents the HED's formula funding cluster categories. These categories are generic and facilitate comparison across institutions.