Policy Statement:
Team teaching involves more than one faculty member providing instruction by sharing responsibilities for all aspects of a course, and receiving faculty load credit for the course.

In general, faculty load credit for the course is calculated in proportion to the faculty member’s actual time commitment to the course (e.g., number or proportion of lectures given during a semester). The combined calculation of load credit for faculty involved in the teaching of the team-taught course may not exceed the total credit hour value of that course unless the Provost approves a clearly stated proposal for an alternative course load calculation.

Any additional faculty cost to the University resulting from an approved alternative arrangement will be borne by the College in which the course resides. Differential tuition may be used for this purpose.

Team taught courses may or may not be interdisciplinary.

Background:
There are two types of team teaching - intracollege team teaching and intercollege team teaching.

A. Intracollege Team Teaching – all faculty involved in teaching a course are housed within the same college (but not necessarily within the same department). The standard college policies and processes will govern intracollege team teaching activities.

B. Intercollege Team Teaching – at least one faculty member receiving faculty load credit for teaching the course is housed in a college differing from other team teachers. A faculty member’s home department must approve participation in an intercollegiate team taught class.

Following national trends and the 2004 Academic Affairs long-term academic goals of supporting learning collaborations, more UCO courses are team taught. The University does not have a formal structure governing the standards or processes when courses are team taught.

Purpose: To define and formulate guidelines for governing team teaching activities.

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Related Procedures: Faculty Handbook

Coordinating Offices: Academic Affairs, Colleges, Department
Academic Affairs Point of Contact: Provost/Vice President for Academic Affairs

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Key Words: Interdisciplinary