

General Transfer Information

When Considering a Transfer:

- Understand that the receiving college or university decides what credits transfer and whether or not those credits meet its degree requirements.
- Realize that the accreditation of both the originating and the receiving institutions can affect the transfer of credits you earn.
- Understand that chosen courses need not only transfer, but, more important, meet requirements for your major at the baccalaureate institution. Baccalaureate degree programs usually count credits in three categories: general education, departmental requirements and electives. A change in your career goal or major will probably increase the number of credits you must take to graduate.
- Visit your chosen transfer college if possible. You will learn more about a school by visiting. While you are there, talk to everybody you can: students, admissions officers, financial aid staff, counselors and instructors.
- Call or e-mail your transfer college to get answers to your questions. Your chosen school is your best source of information. Keep copies of all e-mail or written responses.
- Request that all the written information your transfer school has to offer, such as catalogs, brochures, applications and departmental publications, be sent to you. Do this as early as possible in your academic career.

The Final Step: Applying for Transfer Admission

- Apply as early as possible before deadlines.
- Remember to enclose the necessary application fees.
- Request that official transcripts be sent from every institution you have attended. Check to see if high-school transcripts or GED® test scores are required.
- Check to make sure all necessary application materials have been received.
- Recheck with your transfer school regarding your application status if you have not heard from them in a month.
- Request a written evaluation of transfer credit as soon as possible. Transfer-credit evaluations are usually available once you have been accepted for admission.

Associate of General Studies Degree

The associate of general studies (AGS) degree allows you the flexibility to design your own degree. This degree is not designed for transfer. It can include either transfer or professional/technical courses, but must total 90 credits numbered 100 or above (or 85 credits numbered 100 or above plus MATH 099). ENGL& 101 must be completed with a "C" grade (2.0) or higher. Courses in the following categories must be included in the AGS degree:

Course	Credits
ENGL& 101.....	5
Quantitative Skills (Intermediate Algebra or higher)	5
Humanities.....	5
Natural Sciences with laboratory	5
Social Sciences.....	5
Electives	65

The 65 elective credits can be chosen from any program of study. A minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.0 ("C" grade) is required for the AGS degree.