



# FAQS: TRANSFERRING TO CSU

Thank you for your interest in transferring to Cleveland State University! Below are answers to the questions we receive most often from students regarding the transfer process. Still have a question for us? Contact Undergraduate Admissions at:

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## DO YOU AWARD TRANSFER CREDIT FOR ACADEMIC WORK COMPLETED AT ANY COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY?

Cleveland State University awards transfer credit for academic work completed at other colleges or universities that are accredited by one of the following regional accrediting bodies:

- MSACS: Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools
- NEASC: New England Association of Schools and Colleges
- NCA-HLC: North Central Association of Colleges and Universities, Higher Learning Commission
- NWCCU: Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities
- SACS: Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
- WASC: Western Association of Schools and Colleges Commission

Students can visit the [Council for Higher Education Accreditation](#) (CHEA) database for a complete listing of more than 7,600 degree-granting and non-degree-granting institutions and more than 18,700 programs that are accredited by United States accrediting organizations recognized either by CHEA or by the United States Department of Education (USDE) or both.

## CAN I APPEAL A TRANSFER DECISION?

Once a transfer credit evaluator determines which classes are transferable, students may appeal equivalency decisions by lodging a petition with the Transfer Credit Evaluation Appeals Committee. Students seeking to appeal a transfer credit decision should meet with an academic advisor for assistance in compiling a petition.

## WHAT IF I REPEAT A CLASS THAT I ALREADY RECEIVED CREDIT FOR?

Transfer credit is subject to institutional repeat policy (i.e., if you repeat a course that you have already received transfer credit for).

## I AM AN INCOMING FRESHMAN WHO HAS EARNED PSEOP/CCP CREDITS. WHAT SHOULD I DO TO GET MY TRANSFER CREDIT EVALUATED AT CSU?

Students who have earned Post-Secondary Enrollment Options Program (PSEOP) or College Credit Plus (CCP) credits should submit an official copy of their transcript to the [Office of the University Registrar](#) to be evaluated.



### **HOW WILL THE WORK APPEAR ON MY CSU TRANSCRIPT?**

Only the name of the institution will be listed. Courses and grades from other schools do not appear on the CSU transcript.

### **CAN I MEET CSU'S GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS USING MY TRANSFER CREDITS?**

Yes, but there are restrictions. For example, Writing Across the Curriculum (WAC) and Speaking Across the Curriculum (SPAC) courses must be completed at CSU. You cannot receive WAC or SPAC credit for a transfer course.

### **CAN I MEET MY MAJOR REQUIREMENTS USING MY TRANSFER CREDITS?**

Yes, but you must also check with your major department for approval.

### **HOW DO CREDITS FROM A QUARTER SYSTEM TRANSFER?**

There is a conversion rate for courses coming from colleges or universities with quarter-based systems. Quarter units are multiplied by 0.667 to get semester units.

### **WHAT IS THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF CREDITS THAT CAN BE TRANSFERRED TO CSU?**

There is no limit. However, not all transfer credits will necessarily count towards your degree, and you have to earn your last 30 credit hours from CSU to graduate from CSU. Check with an academic advisor for further information.

### **WHAT GRADE MUST I HAVE ACHIEVED IN ORDER FOR WORK TO TRANSFER TO CSU?**

Students must have received a passing grade for course work to transfer to CSU. Coursework completed with a D grade prior to Fall 2005 are not accepted for transfer credit unless they were part of an Associate's Degree completed at an Ohio public institution.

### **CAN I RECEIVE TRANSFER CREDIT FOR COURSES TAKEN AS PASS/FAIL?**

Yes, if a pass grade was achieved. However, if the pass is considered equivalent to a D grade at the other institution, acceptance will depend on when the course was completed.

### **CAN I GET A COPY OF MY TRANSFER TRANSCRIPT?**

No. Transfer transcripts from other institutions are not released to you or any outside agency from CSU. You should request a copy directly from the transfer school.

### **WHERE DO I HAVE MY OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS SENT?**

Cleveland State University  
Application Processing Center  
Office of University Registrar  
1836 Euclid Avenue, UN 443  
Cleveland, OH 44115



### **I COMPLETED COURSE WORK AT A FOREIGN INSTITUTION. WILL IT TRANSFER TO CSU?**

Foreign work is subject to the same requirements as domestic college work. Transcripts for study completed at an overseas university or college should be submitted to the Registrar's Office in the same way that transcripts from domestic study are submitted. Academic study completed overseas is assessed for transfer credit eligibility by an evaluator in the Center for International Services and Programs (CISP). CSU Study Abroad Programs are not considered transfer work. Credits earned through these CSU programs automatically appear on your CSU transcript.

### **HOW AND WHEN WILL I KNOW THAT MY TRANSFER CREDIT HAS BEEN APPROVED?**

Your transfer credit will appear on both your unofficial and official transcripts within three weeks after you have been admitted to a degree seeking program, assuming we have received all official transcripts. Transfer credit for military or foreign coursework can take up to six weeks to be assessed. If your transfer credits do not appear on your transcript after the above stipulated timeframes, please contact the [All-in-1 Office](#) at 216.687.5411 or email [allin1@csuohio.edu](mailto:allin1@csuohio.edu) for assistance.

### **I'VE BEEN ADMITTED INTO A NON-DEGREE PROGRAM — WILL MY TRANSFER CREDIT BE ASSESSED?**

No. Transfer credit is only assessed if you are admitted into a degree-seeking program.

### **ARE THE GRADES FROM TRANSFER WORK CALCULATED INTO MY GRADE POINT AVERAGE?**

No. Only grades from work completed at CSU will be calculated into your GPA.