

University Transfer Policies

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Credit Equivalency

- Students always earn the number of credits they took the course for at the other institution regardless of what BW offers the course for.

Associate Degrees/Two Year Colleges

- At most, a student can transfer in 60 credits from a two-year institution
- Students with an associate degree are guaranteed 60 credits. Blanket hours should be awarded if there are not 60 credits of transferrable work.
- If a student has taken more than 60 credits, they can work with their advisor and Registration & Records to select the most useful equivalencies for transfer.

Four-Year Colleges

- There is no limit on the number of credits that can be transferred in from a 4-year university.

Core Waivers

- Students transferring with an Associate degree are awarded the simplified A2BW core
- Students transferring without an Associate degree but with at least students with 25 transfer credits are awarded the OT36 Core. This does not apply to first-time first-semester freshman.

Review Statuses

- Some courses require faculty review before being assigned an equivalency.
 - Courses assigned ELECT-REVIEW (elective review) are guaranteed to transfer in for credit. The relevant department must review a course description and/or syllabus for a specific equivalency.
 - Courses assigned DEPT-REVIEW (department review) must be reviewed by the relevant department before transferring in at all. No credit is guaranteed until the course description and/or syllabus is reviewed.

Experiential Learning

- EXP must be completed at BW
- Some transfer courses may cover the same classroom content as a BW EXP class. Those classes are given equivalencies without the X designation that will still fulfill some other requirements.

First Year Experiences/Seminars/Etc.

- 1 credit success/orientation courses do not transfer
- Seminar style courses of 2+ credits can come in as GEN-ELE or ELECT-REVIEW.

Grade Requirements

- Students must receive a C or better in a class to transfer it to BW.
- If a student has a pass/fail grade, we can only bring in passing grades for which a C and above (not a C-) are included.

Tech Prep Credit

- BW does not accept courses offered as tech prep.

Subjects with Limited Credit at BW

- The following non-departmental credit types are capped at certain numbers of semester hours:
 - Interior Design (INTD) – 6
 - Journalism (JMC) – 6 as HUM GEN
 - Manufacturing Technology (MIT) – 3
 - Office Administration (OADM) – 4
 - Real Estate (REAL) – 10
- The following prefixes are not accepted for credit from Tri-C
 - AUTO
 - C&CR
 - EMT
 - ESL
 - GEN
 - HIM
 - HOSP
 - NURS
 - PL
 - RADT
 - DMS
 - SDEV
 - INSUR

Varsity Sports

- No varsity sports transfer (as BW varsity sports do not count for credit)

Independent Work

- Independent studies, practicums, and field experiences do not transfer
- Credit for courses taken as part of a student abroad experience can only be given if the transcript from the school abroad is submitted for review.

Duplicate Work

- BW only gives credit for an equivalency a single time.
- If a student has taken courses at two schools, and courses at both have the same equivalency, only one of the courses will transfer.
- If a student took a course at another school and took a test (AP, CLEP, etc.) that result in the same equivalency, only the transfer course will be awarded credit.
- Students transferring with an Associate degree will not be granted blanket hours if they have used credit from another institution to fulfill their requirements.