



Transfer Credits # 340.290

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POLICY STATEMENT

Students must meet the University's admission requirements in order to be eligible for admission to their chosen academic program. Degree-seeking applicants without an Associate in Arts degree from a Florida College System institution must meet the same University Core Curriculum (UCC) requirements as First-Time-in-College (FTIC) students.

A maximum of sixty (60) lower-division (semester) credits taken at a two- or four-year accredited institution (developmental courses not included) may be transferred to the university. The 60 credits that comprise the Associate in Arts degree (AA) from a Florida College System institution are accepted in total upon transfer. Courses that are part of the Statewide Course Numbering System are eligible for automatic transfer to the university. Transferable credits are not necessarily applicable to degree programs.

Up to 30 additional upper division (semester) credits taken at a four-year accredited institution may be counted towards a degree at the university at the discretion of the faculty in an individual department, providing that the student completes the last 30 semester hours at the university. Any exceptions must be approved by the Dean, or designee, of the school or college.

Credits may be transferred from accredited institutions outside the U.S. with an evaluation of foreign credentials. The same credit limits noted above apply.

Transfer course grades are not included in any FIU GPA calculations.

The university reserves the right to deny transfer credits outside the scope of this policy.

For other types of transfer credit, refer to Policy 340.350 Credit used to Accelerate Undergraduate Time-to-Degree (Credit by Exam, Departmental Proficiency Examination, MOOCs, Prior Learning, and Military) Upon Admission (<https://policies.fiu.edu/files/799.pdf>).

SCOPE

This policy applies to the acceptance (transferability) of lower- and upper-division transfer credits by the University.



REASON FOR POLICY

To establish transfer credit acceptability.

DEFINITIONS	
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Accredited Institution	A post-secondary institution whose institutional accreditor is recognized by the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Postsecondary Education.
Applicable Degree Credits	Transfer credits determined by the faculty in an academic unit as meeting degree requirements.
Applicable University Core Curriculum (UCC) Credits	Transfer credits determined by Enrollment Management Services/Transfer and Transition Services, in collaboration with discipline faculty, as meeting UCC requirements.

ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Enrollment Management and Services/Admissions Operations evaluates and determines the total number of lower-division transferrable credits, not to exceed 60. The faculty in academic units determine the total number of upper-division transferable credits, not to exceed 30.

Course Equivalencies: **Enrollment Management and Services/Transfer and Transition Services** works with university-wide faculty to determine course equivalencies applicable to the UCC. Faculty in the **Colleges and Schools** determine course equivalencies applicable to the major/degree program.

Transfer credits are posted on the student’s degree audit and transcript.

RELATED RESOURCES

6.004 Admission of Undergraduate, Degree-Seeking Transfer Students (3)(b) 2. (FL Board of Governors



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