

**Updated information for students planning to transfer to  
St. Ambrose University.**

**Incorporate these changes while using the transfer guide that follows.**

Students transferring in fall 2026 or later will no longer need to meet St. Ambrose graduation requirements for a second language, and in health and fitness. SAU is ending these two requirements effective fall 2026.

Black Hawk courses affected may include HEAL 102, HEAL 200, PE 125, SPAN 101, and SPAN 102. While these courses are still transferrable to SAU, and may be needed for certain majors, they are not needed to meet general education requirements starting fall 2026.

Students are advised to contact their [BHC advisor](#) or SAU to assist with any adjustments to transfer planning. The SAU Admissions representative to BHC is

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**Saint Ambrose University**

**Transfer Planning Guide**

**Accounting, Business Economics, Finance, Management, Marketing, or International Business**

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**TRANSFER FACTS**

- Students who earn an Associate in Arts (AA) degree from BHC will be admitted to SAU as a junior, and will have met most of SAU's lower division general education requirements.
- Students planning to transfer prior to completion of the AA at BHC should reference SAU general education requirements. Students transferring without a degree will have their transcripts evaluated on a course-by-course basis using course equivalencies.
- For students transferring with 30 semester hours or fewer, it is strongly recommended that BHC coursework include MATH 112 or 132 (see NOTE 1 below), and ECON 221 or 222, all of which will serve as prerequisites for SAU business courses.
- A maximum of 64 community college credits will be applied toward the minimum of 120 credits required for SAU graduation. Thirty credits must be taken at the 300 level or above (lower division courses that have a transfer equivalency at the 300-level receive lower division credit). Students must complete the final 30 credits, or 45 of the last 60 credits, at SAU. A maximum of 16 semester hours of credit will be awarded for technical/vocational electives.

**INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING COURSES** within the AA degree.

(LD) = lower division credit awarded.

Notes	BHC Course	SH	SAU Course
	<b>SAU required core for all Business majors:</b>		
	ACCT 101 + ACCT 103 Financial Accounting + lab	3+1	ACCT 201 + 1 elective credit for lab
	ACCT 102 + ACCT 104 Managerial Accounting + lab	3+1	ACCT 202 + 1 elective credit for lab
1	MATH 132 Calculus for Bus/Soc Sciences	4	STBE 137
1,8	MATH 108 or MATH 228 Statistics	3	Both transfer as STBE 237 or STAT 213
	BL 201 or BL 202 Business Law I or II	3	Both transfer as BUS 201
	ECON 221 Principles of Macroeconomics	3	ECON 201
	ECON 222 Principles of Microeconomics	3	ECON 202
	BUSN 230 Principles of Marketing	3	MKTG 209
8	BUSN 240 Principles of Management	3	MGMT 210
	<b>For general education in the AA degree:</b>		
	ENG 101 Composition I	3	ENGL elective
	ENG 102 Composition II	3	ENGL 101
	SPEC 101 Principles of Speech Communication	3	COMM 129
3,4	IAI Humanities: select a PHIL course or HIST 222	3	fulfills general education
4	IAI Fine Arts	3	fulfills general education
4	IAI Humanities or Fine Arts	3	fulfills general education
4	IAI Social & Behavioral Science (except ECON)	3	fulfills general education
5	IAI Physical Science	3-4	fulfills general education
5	IAI Life Science	3-4	fulfills general education

	<b><i>The following courses may also be taken prior to transfer:</i></b>		
6	Second language: SPAN 101 Elementary Spanish I and SPAN 102 Elementary Spanish II. <i>4 credits each.</i>	0-8	SAU graduation requirement.
7	HEAL 102 Foundations of Wellness	3	KIN 149 (1 credit)
9	CS 100 Intro to Computers	3	CSCI 120
2,9	BE 146 Microsoft Excel	3	Technical/vocational elective
	<b><i>Management major:</i></b>		
8	BUSN 250 Human Resource Management	3	MGMT 320 (LD)
8	BUSN 241 Intro to Supply Chain Management <i>if pursuing the Supply Chain concentration</i>	3	MGMT Elective
	<b><i>Marketing major:</i></b>		
8	BUSN 236 Introduction to Advertising, or BUSN 238 Sales Principles	3	MKTG 329 (LD), or MKTG 339 (LD); or instead take an upper division MKTG course at SAU
	<b><i>International Business major:</i></b>		
	SPAN 101, 102, 201 & 202. <i>Each course is 4 credits.</i>	0-16	Second language competence to the equivalent of the 202-level

**AA Degree: 60 credits min.**

**NOTES:**

Students' assessment scores might indicate the necessity of prerequisite English, Math or Reading courses in addition to the courses listed above.

1. The pre-requisite for MATH 132 is MATH 112 College Algebra, or appropriate assessment score. For students transferring with 30 semester hours or fewer, it is strongly recommended that BHC coursework include MATH 112 or MATH 132. MATH 112 is an elective in the AA degree. MATH 108, MATH 132 or MATH 228 will meet the general education math requirement for the AA.
2. A maximum of 16 semester hours of credit will be awarded for technical/vocational electives.
3. Students are strongly encouraged to complete at least one of PHIL 100, 101, 103, 205 or 206, or HIST 222 to satisfy the pre-requisite for an upper division Philosophy or Theology course at SAU. Students who earn the AA degree at BHC will only need to complete 6 hours of Philosophy/Theology after transfer. Students not earning the AA degree may meet up to six hours of the twelve-hour Philosophy/Theology requirement prior to transfer by completing one Philosophy course and HIST 222 at BHC.
4. BHC requires one non-western studies course to meet graduation requirements. See an advisor or the college catalog for designated non-western courses available in the IAI Humanities, Fine Arts, or the Social and Behavioral Science areas.
5. BHC requires one lab science (4 or more credits) course to meet graduation requirements. This can be taken as the physical science or the life science.
6. To meet SAU's graduation requirement, complete either three years of the same second language in high school, or the same second language in college through the equivalent of the 102-level (first year, second semester). St. Ambrose recommends completing the second language before transferring.
7. SAU requires HEAL 102 or KIN 149. If not taking HEAL 102, take KIN 149 Wellness Concepts (1 credit) at SAU.
8. Any of these courses may be taken after transfer: MATH 108 or 228; BUSN 236, 238, 240, 241, 250 and 260.
9. CS 100 and BE 146 are not required, but recommended for students to acquire skills in Microsoft Office and Excel.

**This guide is not intended to be a contract with SAU. The information of this guide is subject to change; students are advised to contact SAU to keep informed of changes. Final responsibility for verifying all transfer information lies with the student. Use this guide in conjunction with the BHC Catalog the student will use to fulfill degree requirements.**

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