

TRANSFER POINTERS . . . plan your transfer to



Transfer GPA: *The University of Iowa builds on the transfer GPA rather than starting fresh. All grades, including Ds and Fs, on transfer course work will be calculated to find the transfer GPA. Grades from career-technical courses are not figured into the transfer GPA.*

Illinois Community College Opportunity Scholarship: *Transfer within one year of completing the AA or AS degree and earning a 3.0 transfer GPA at the time of enrollment. Value: \$7,500 a year for up to two years. [View](#) all scholarship requirements and deadlines.*

Admission

Visit the [University of Iowa Transfer Admissions](#) website for admission criteria to each U of I colleges and the transfer application process.

For [admission to the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences](#): Transfer applicants (including domestic and international applicants who attended college in the United States) must have:

- a cumulative grade-point average (GPA) of 2.50 or higher on at least 24 semester hours earned after high school graduation (36 quarter hours) of acceptable graded credit, **OR**
- an Associate of Arts (AA) Degree or an Associate of Science (AS) Degree from an Iowa community college, and a cumulative transfer GPA of 2.00 or higher on acceptable graded credit from all colleges attended, **OR**
- an Associate of Arts (AA) Degree from an Illinois community college and a cumulative transfer GPA of 2.5 or higher on acceptable graded credit from all colleges attended (**AA holders from Black Hawk College in Illinois must have a cumulative transfer GPA of 2.25 or higher from all colleges attended**).

Acceptance of AA and/or AS degree

University of Iowa's Illinois Articulation Agreement: Students transferring with an Associate in Arts degree completed through an Illinois-based community college will have all General Education requirements satisfied at the University of Iowa with the exception of the Diversity and Inclusion requirement (must be taken at UI) as well as the World Language requirement needed for each UI College.

If you completed an associate degree other than an AA, or if you received your AA from a college that does not have an articulation agreement with the University, your credits will be evaluated course-by-course to determine how they transfer.

Students planning to enter in fall must have all academic work completed by the end of the summer term. It's recommended students attempt to complete their courses by the end of the spring term if possible.

Acceptance of Career and Technical Education (CTE) courses

Up to 16 semester hours of career-technical credit can be used as elective credit toward a degree in the Colleges of Liberal Arts & Sciences, Education, or Business. Career-technical credit, however, comes in as ungraded credit and does not count toward the 24 transferable hours needed for admission. For the Bachelors of Applied Studies (BAS) up to 60 semester hours of career-technical credit will be accepted.

Credits and Residency

Minimum Credit Hours to Apply as a Transfer Student	24
Maximum transfer credits accepted from community colleges	Course work earned at a two-year college or as part of an associate degree program may be applied toward up to one-half the credits required for a bachelor's degree from Iowa. Excess credit and grades will be used in computing your grade-point average (GPA) and may be used to satisfy course requirements, but they will not count toward the total hours needed for graduation from the university.
Maximum transfer credits accepted from all schools attended	Contact U of I.
Residency	Contact U of I.
Minimum upper division credits (300- and 400-level courses) required to graduate	Consult requirement for your college and major.
Minimum upper division credits required to be taken with the transfer school	Consult requirement for your college and major
Taking BHC courses after transfer	Contact an IOWA advisor, and BHC Advising at ADVQC@bhc.edu

Grades

“D” grades are considered passing and will transfer, however, some programs will not accept these courses to meet requirements in the major.

Transfer grades, including D's and F's, are included in the student's cumulative GPA at the University of Iowa. Grades from career-technical courses are not figured into the transfer GPA.

Second Language (also known as UI's World Language requirement)

For admission:

College of Nursing (the requirement must be completed prior to starting the nursing major)

- fourth level proficiency of the same world language (4 years in high school, or 2 years in college), or
- second level proficiency in two different world languages (2 years of each language in high school, or 1 year of each in college), or
- two years of the same world language in high school, or 1 year in college, plus one additional 3 s.h. Values & Culture, Diversity & Inclusion, or International & Global Issues general education course.

For graduation:

College of Liberal Arts and Sciences: Complete 4 years of the same language in high school, or 2 years of the same language in college. Effective summer 2024, student will have additional options to meet the World Language requirement <https://clas.uiowa.edu/students/summer-2024-world-languages-pathways>.

Tippie College of Business:

- Option 1: take 4 years of the same language in high school, or 2 years of the same language in college.
- Option 2: take 2 years each of two different languages in high school or 1 year each of two different languages in college. Option 2 does not fulfill the world language requirement for the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences or qualify students for language incentive credit.

For the College of Engineering, the College of Pharmacy, and the College of Public Health, consult the world language requirements for each college.

BHC prepares Transfer Pointers as a service to students. The information is subject to change by the transfer school. Students should work with their BHC advisor and the transfer school to stay informed. Students are responsible for confirming transfer school requirements and policies. Updated June 22, 2023