



## Transfer Planning Guide

**St. Ambrose University**

**Secondary Education, B.A. degree**

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### TRANSFER FACTS

- Students are encouraged to select courses at Black Hawk College that meet requirements for the AA or AS degree, as well as the requirements of their chosen major. Students should use this guide in conjunction with the AA or AS degree planning worksheets or catalog requirements for graduation.
- All students, regardless of major, who have successfully earned an Associate in Arts (AA) or Associate in Science (AS) degree and attained an overall GPA of 2.0 or higher on a 4-point scale, will be admitted to SAU with junior status. All students seeking admission to the Teacher Education Program (TEP) must first apply and be accepted to SAU before applying to SAU's TEP.
- Students transferring prior to completion of the AA or AS degree should also reference SAU's general education requirements or consider transferring credits back to Black Hawk to earn the AA or AS degree after transfer.
- Candidates who major in Secondary Education at SAU will be prepared to acquire an Iowa secondary education endorsement to be licensed to teach children in high school. Secondary practitioner candidates must fulfill endorsement requirements in a teaching major. SAU Department majors approved for endorsement areas include: art (K-12), business-all, English language arts, French, German, Spanish, mathematics, music, biology, chemistry, history, reading, and speech communication/theatre. Candidates who plan to teach in a state other than Iowa should consult the TEP concerning certification requirements.
- For the TEP, a minimum GPA of 3.0 is required cumulatively, 3.0 for all education core courses, and 3.0 for major/endorsement courses. Grades of "D" or "F" are not accepted.
  - Teacher education has a number of additional requirements enumerated by entrance year into the TEP, including minimum ACT scores. See [SAU's TEP Admission Requirements](#).
  - Before gaining full admission to the St. Ambrose TEP, students must pass the Praxis Core Test. [www.ets.org/praxis](http://www.ets.org/praxis) Test scores need to be available by mid-July for students entering in fall and by mid-November for students entering in spring.
  - Before gaining full admission to the St. Ambrose TEP, students must also **complete 50 field hours of participation on-site at an approved local school as part of a transcribed class**. Field experience must be recent and it must be related to the area in which a student seeks licensure. Students should consult with SAU early in their college course work on completing the participation and documentation required via EDUC 207 prior to entering the education major. Alternatively, students may take SAU's EDUC 205 to complete the field experience (course pre-requisite of 2.7 GPA)
  - Students may be admitted into TEP in either the fall or spring semester.
- CLEP and AP credit are subject to review for credit at SAU on an individual basis. Students should send official scores to SAU.
- A maximum of 64 community college credits could be applied toward the minimum of 120 credits required for SAU graduation. More than 120 credits, and more than 4 semesters after transfer, may be required to meet TEP graduation requirements and/or major teaching area requirements.

### SUGGESTED COURSES – Secondary Education majors should include the following courses within the AA.

Notes	BHC Courses	SH	SAU Equivalent
	ENG 101	3	ENGL EL
	ENG 102	3	ENGL 101
	SPEC 101	3	COMM 129
	HIST 105 or HIST 106 or POLS 122	3	HIST 201 or 202 or PSCI 101
<b>1</b>	PSYC 260	3	EDUC 284

2	EDUC 210 (if completed by spring 2017)	2	SPED 310 Lower division credit
3	Foreign Language	0-8	Foreign Language-General Education Requirement
4	PHIL 100, 101, 103, 205, <b>or</b> 206; HIST 222	3-6	Philosophy/Theology General Education Requirement
	HEAL 102	2-3	KIN 149 (1 credit hour at SAU)
5	Major courses	6-17	Consult an SAU advisor

**Minimum total hours required for associates degree – 64**

See degree requirements at [Transfer Programs](#)

**NOTES:**

Students' assessment scores might indicate the necessity of prerequisite English, math or reading courses in addition to the courses suggested in this sequence.

1. PSYC 260 has a prerequisite of PSYC 101 with a grade of "C" or better. Course can be taken after transfer if not available at BHC.
2. Students completing EDUC 210 The Exceptional Child with a C or better by spring 2017 may transfer the course to St. Ambrose as SPED 310 Inclusion Strategies for Students with Special Needs. Starting summer 2017, students who have not completed EDUC 210 will need to take SPED 310 at St. Ambrose; EDUC 210 will transfer as an elective.
3. Foreign Language, SAU graduation requirement: SAU requires three years of the same foreign language in high school, or the same foreign language in college through the equivalent of the 102-level (first year, second semester). Sign language may meet this requirement. Foreign language at the 202 level or above will meet a humanities requirement at Black Hawk College.
4. Students are strongly encouraged to complete at least one Philosophy course prior to transferring to SAU. Students who earn the AA or AS degree at BHC will only need to complete 6 hours of Philosophy/Theology after transfer. An introductory philosophy course is recommended to meet a humanities requirement at BHC, as well as a prerequisite for an upper level philosophy or theology course at SAU. Students **not** earning the AA or AS 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.
5. Students are encouraged to consult an SAU advisor on selection of courses for the requirements of the discipline they wish to teach. When possible, courses selected for general education should overlap with major requirements.

This guide is not intended to be a contract with SAU. The information on 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.

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