AA and AS degrees and Lower Division General Education Requirements. Students will meet a substantial level of lower division general education requirements by completing the IAI General Education Core Curriculum (GECC) within the AA or AS degrees. Because of UIUC’s general education requirements, all courses are articulated individually for the chosen transfer program.

UIUC has six additional general education requirements which can be completed before or after transfer: 1) Western Comparative Cultures, 2) Non-Western Comparative Cultures, 3) US Minority Cultures, 4) Quantitative Reasoning II or an additional Quantitative Reasoning I course, 5) Advanced Composition, generally a course built into a student’s program of study as required coursework, and 6) LOTE – Language Other Than English.
Completion of the GECC is recommended for students exploring educational options, but students with a certain UIUC major in mind are better served following major-specific programs, work with academic advisors, and consult the UIUC Transfer Handbook and a list of current courses approved for General Education credit.

- **Foreign Language.** UIUC has implemented a foreign language requirement for all academic units.

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**The goal is the “Level” achieved, not the number of courses or where taken. It is strongly recommended that transfer applicants complete the graduation requirement prior to the term of enrollment at the University of Illinois.**

- **AP and IB Credit:** UIUC accepts scores of 3 or higher on every Advanced Placement (AP) exam for students enrolling at UIUC, [www.go.illinois.edu/apcredit](http://www.go.illinois.edu/apcredit). UIUC also awards credit for score of 4 or higher on any International Baccalaureate (IB) exam (Higher or Standard Level) for students enrolling at UIUC, [www.go.illinois.edu/ibcredit](http://www.go.illinois.edu/ibcredit).

- **Grades of D:** "D" grades are accepted if the course is accepted by the University as transferable credit. Some departments may require specific coursework with grades of "C" or above, as well as minimum GPA’s (both cumulative and technical). Students should check the requirements for their major. [Grade Point Average Guidelines](#).

- **IAI Participant:** Yes. Prior to transfer, students who have completed the IAI GECC by itself or within the AA or AS degree should request that their BHC transcript indicate IAI GECC compliance.

- **May Complete IAI GECC after Transfer:** Yes, if the student has earned 30 or more hours of transfer credit.

- **Major Selection:** Transfer applicants may select a second-choice major on the admission application but should make sure they meet the second-choice major’s transfer requirements as well. If not selected for admission to their first-choice, the applicant will be considered for their second-choice. UIUC strongly encourages applicants applying to competitive majors to list a second-choice so consideration of the second-choice will not be delayed.

- **Maximum Community College Hours Accepted in Transfer:** Applicants with over 80 hours may be subject to review. All students must still meet the academic residency requirement of 60 credits including 21 credits at the 300-400 level.
• **Minimum Credit Hours to Apply as a Transfer Student Without High School Transcript and ACT:** A minimum number of credit hours are not required for a majority of majors. There may be a minimum number of credit hours required for some majors.

• **Poor Past Performance:** It is recommended that students who start college without focus or maturity and do poorly, leave, and then return and do substantially better, point that out on their admission application. Such students are very often admitted even if their cumulative GPA may be weak and not representative of their current performance.

• **Repeated Courses:** All grades for repeated courses are factored into the GPA calculation. Transferable GPA is based on all transferable courses attempted. A student who repeats a subject for which the student has previously received credit (either by class work at the University, or by advanced standing previously allowed for work done elsewhere) does not forfeit the original credit in the event the student should fail the course on the second attempt. If the course is repeated yet again, all grades received, passed or failed, are counted in the graduation average, except on minimum scholarship requirements for graduation.

• **Standardized Testing:** High school performance and ACT or SAT scores are reviewed if a transfer applicant has fewer than 30 graded transferable hours at time of application. ACT or SAT I scores are accepted. Official test scores must be sent directly from the testing agency.

• **Teacher Certification:** Every student interested in applying to a teacher certification program must take and pass an Illinois-approved test of basic skills. Approved tests consist of the Illinois Test of Academic Proficiency (TAP), ACT, or SAT with approved scores. A previously passed Illinois Test of Basic Skills (096, 300, or 400) may also be used to meet this requirement. Specifics of this requirement can be found at [www.go.illinois.edu/licensuretesting](http://www.go.illinois.edu/licensuretesting).

• **Tenant Union:** UIUC offers a Transfer Community in Scott Hall if the student would like to live with other transfer students during their first year on-campus. Students are advised to meet with tenant union personnel prior to signing a lease or rental agreement for off-campus housing.

This guide is provided as a service to BHC students and information is subject to change. Students should work with a BHC advisor and the transfer school to keep informed of changes. Responsibility for complying with all transfer information rests with the student.

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