



Sample Transfer  
Plan

Area of Focus: **Pre-Physical Therapy**

Associate in Science (AS) transfer degree

**This Sample Transfer Plan is for students intending to major in Pre-Physical Therapy, after transfer, but who have not selected a transfer institution.** Students who have a specific transfer school in mind should not use this guide, but instead seek advising from BHC and the transfer school to ensure the transfer institution's requirements are met.

Physical therapists, sometimes called *PTs*, help injured or ill people improve their movement and manage their pain. PT's are often an important part of the rehabilitation, treatment, and prevention of chronic conditions, illnesses, or injuries. Physical therapists typically work in private offices and clinics, hospitals, patients' homes, and nursing homes. They spend much of their time on their feet, actively working with patients. Students typically complete a bachelor's degree in biology or psychology prior to entering a graduate program in Physical Therapy. Physical therapy program requirements typically include specific courses in biology, chemistry, mathematics, physics and psychology. See the [American Physical Therapy Association](#) for career information and locating accredited PT programs.

The Associate in Science is suitable for students who need to complete additional math and science courses before transferring. The AS degree accommodates sequenced coursework in these subjects, for example General Biology I and II, or General Chemistry I and II. **Transfer schools differ in their acceptance of AS degrees, including possibly the need for additional general education courses after transfer. If the transfer school does not accept the AS, courses can be earned through the Associate in Arts degree instead.**

| <b>General Education Recommendations:</b>   |  | <b>minimum 37 credits</b> |
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| This section <b>partially completes</b> the <a href="#">Illinois Articulation Initiative General Education Core Curriculum (IAI GECC)</a> , which is a package of courses meeting general education requirements at more than 100 participating Illinois colleges and universities. Completion of the IAI GECC requires one more Social & Behavioral Science course, and one more Humanities or Fine Arts course. |  |                           |
| <b>Communication (9 credits) – all courses required</b><br>ENG 101 Composition I (3) – <i>grade 'C' or better required</i><br>ENG 102 Composition II (3) – <i>grade 'C' or better required</i><br>SPEC 101 Principles of Speech Communication (3)   | <b>Social &amp; Behavioral Sciences (6 credits)</b><br><i>Must include courses from two disciplines</i><br>PSYC 101 Introduction to Psychology (3)<br>Choose one IAI: S course (except PSYC)   |                           |
| <b>Humanities (3 credits)</b><br>Humanities – choose one IAI: H or HF course (3)<br><i>suggested: PHIL 103 Ethics <u>or</u> PHIL 101 Introduction to Philosophy</i><br><br><b>Fine Arts (3 credits)</b><br>Choose one IAI: F or HF course (3)   | <b>Mathematics (6 credits) - 3 credits must be IAI <u>GECC</u> approved</b><br>Choose one IAI: M course (3 min.)<br>MATH 108 Statistics for General Education (3) <u>or</u><br>MATH 228 Probability and Statistics (3)<br>Choose one additional Mathematics course<br>MATH 124 Calculus I (4) <u>or</u><br>MATH 132 Calculus for Business/Soc Sciences (4) |                           |
| <b>Physical &amp; Life Sciences (10 credits min. including one IAI <u>GECC</u> lab course) - 7 credits must be IAI <u>GECC</u> approved</b><br>Physical Science – CHEM 101 General Chemistry I (4)<br>Life Sciences – BIOL 105 General Biology I (5) <u>and</u> BIOL 106 General Biology II (5)   |  |                           |

| <b>Elective Recommendations:</b>  |   | <b>up to 27 credits</b> |
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| This section includes courses appropriate for this area of focus. Because transfer institutions vary in their acceptance of coursework, check course transferability with <a href="#">Transfer Equivalencies</a> , <a href="#">Transferology</a> , or an advisor. IAI courses are identified with an asterisk *. <b>Seek advising about other elective courses that may support your reasons for choosing this area of focus.</b> |   |                         |
| <b>Required Elective</b><br>CHEM 102 General Chemistry II (4)*<br><br><b>Pre-Physical Therapy Electives</b><br>BIOL 145 Anatomy Physiology I (4) <u>and</u> BIOL 146 Anatomy-Physiology II (4)<br>PHYS 101 College Physics I (5)* <u>and</u> PHYS 102 College Physics II (5)  | <b>Foreign Language:</b> Consider the foreign language admission and/or graduation requirement of potential transfer schools, which may be satisfied with high school and/or college courses. Consult an advisor. |                         |

## 64 total credits required for AS degree (General Education + Electives)

**Non-Western studies graduation requirement.** To graduate with the AS degree, include at least one non-Western studies course. The course can simultaneously fulfill a general education requirement in humanities, fine arts, or social and behavioral science, or be taken as an elective. Choose from ANTH 102; ART 285 or 286; ENG 217, 218, or 219; GEOG 105 (see advisor); HIST 222, 141, 142, or 151; IS 220 (see advisor); or MUSC 158.

### Course Transferability

- Course and transfer requirements can vary among institutions and may differ from the recommendations on this guide. Grades of 'C' or better may be required for a course to transfer, especially courses intended for the major.
- **Students are advised to select a transfer school as soon as possible, typically before completing 30 college-level credits.**

### Where to transfer?

To research transfer colleges and universities, visit the following links

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| BHC Transfer Guides and Agreements<br><a href="https://www.bhc.edu/academics/transfer-programs/guides-and-agreements/">https://www.bhc.edu/academics/transfer-programs/guides-and-agreements/</a> | Illinois institutional profiles<br><a href="http://ibheprofiles.ibhe.org/">http://ibheprofiles.ibhe.org/</a> | College Navigator<br><a href="https://nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator/">https://nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator/</a> |
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### Degree Timeframe:

- Students who complete an average of 16 college-level credits in four consecutive fall and spring semesters could complete the AS degree in two years.
- Students determine their own pace and progress and should consider their work and personal commitments, course difficulty, course pre-requisites, and possible need for additional courses determined by placement assessments.
- Advisors are available to discuss credit load and schedules appropriate for student goals and circumstances.
- BHC offers a selection of courses in the summer term and during the December/January minimester.

### Advising Notes:

- See the current [BHC Catalog](#) for all IAI courses (GECC and Majors codes), course descriptions, pre-requisite information, and complete graduation requirements to earn the AS degree. The area of focus is not stated on student transcripts.
- See the [AS Degree Planning Worksheet](#) for a list of IAI GECC courses, or consult the "Associate in Science" degree in Degree Audit on myBlackHawk (student tab).
- **This guide is not a substitute for advising.** All students are encouraged to seek advising each semester. Note that advising is required prior to registering for students who have earned **fewer than 30 college-level credits**.

| Semester            | Meet with BHC advisor | Registration begins                 |
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| Summer and Fall     | February or March     | 1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday in April    |
| Spring & minimester | September or October  | 1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday in November |

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