

## Traditional Transfer Credit

Admission of transfer students to the University of Illinois is based only on the transfer course work that is similar in nature, content, and level to that offered by the University of Illinois. Other course work completed, such as technical courses similar in content and level to courses taught at the University, will be used in evaluation for admission only upon the request of the dean of the college to which the student seeks admission.

Transfer credit, as defined, will be accepted at full value for admission purposes on transfer to the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign if earned at:

- Colleges and universities that offer degree programs comparable to programs offered by the University of Illinois and (1) are members of or hold Candidate for Accreditation status from the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools or another regional accrediting association, or (2) are accredited by another accrediting agency that is a member of the Council on Postsecondary Accreditation; or
- Illinois public community colleges that are neither members of nor holders of Candidate for Accreditation status from the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, but that are approved and recognized by the Illinois Community College Board (ICCB) for a period of time not to exceed five years from the date on which the college registers its first class after achieving ICCB recognition.

Certain colleges and universities do not meet the above specifications but have been assigned a status by the University Committee on Admissions that permits credit to be accepted on a provisional basis for admission purposes on transfer to the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Transfer credit, as defined, from such colleges and universities is accepted only on a deferred basis, to be validated by satisfactory completion of additional work in residence. Validation through satisfactory work in residence may be accomplished by earning at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, or another fully accredited college or university, at least a 2.0 (A = 4.0) grade point average (higher if prescribed by the curriculum the student wishes to enter) in the first 12 to 30 semester (18 to 45 quarter) hours completed after transfer.

Credit transferred from an approved<sup>1</sup> community or junior college is limited only by the provision that the student must earn at least 60 semester or 90 quarter hours required for the degree at an approved<sup>1</sup> four-year college or university after attaining junior standing. The student must meet the residence requirements that apply to all students for a degree from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. At least the last 30 semester or 45 quarter hours

must be taken at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

In all cases, the precise amount of transfer credit that is applicable toward a particular degree will be determined by the University college and department concerned.

1. Colleges and universities meeting one or more of the specifications as defined.

### **Nontraditional Transfer Credit**

Acceptance of credit awarded on bases other than collegiate classroom experiences will be considered for transfer admission purposes as follows:

Test credit for admission as transfer credit. Students presenting test credit awarded elsewhere, or test scores for admission will have that credit evaluated against cutoff scores established for those examinations on the Urbana-Champaign campus. Official score reports should be submitted to the Office of Admissions and Records along with the application for admission to the University. A student presenting test credit as transfer credit may be granted transfer credit if the student (1) is transferring at least 12 graded semester hours of acceptable college-level classroom course work from the institution or single campus in a multicampus institution that awarded the credit by examination; and (2) has successfully completed advanced classroom course work at the institution awarding the test credit in a course that is acceptable under University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign transfer credit policies and that can be considered as a sequential continuation of the material covered in the test; or (3) presents raw scores for evaluation.

After admission, students not awarded credit under this policy may attempt departmental proficiency examinations to receive credit in those areas in which they claim competence.

Credit for military training. The completion of six months or more of continuous active duty in the U.S. armed forces, including basic or recruit training, is accepted for four semester hours of basic military science credit. Confirmation of the military record (DD214) for either an honorable discharge from active military duty to civilian life or transfer to the reserve component is required for credit to be granted. Candidates for graduation who are still in active military service are entitled to the same credit. Military science credit may also be granted for training completed in the service that is comparable to Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) courses at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Such credit may be used for admission purposes up to a maximum of 16 semester hours. Credit duplicating

ROTC credit will not be awarded.

Credit for education in the armed forces. Official transcripts of military service school training may be submitted for comparison to University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign courses for transfer credit.

Credit earned in academic courses sponsored by noncollegiate organizations, such as business, industry, and labor, not recognized by the April 1977 Board of Trustees policy statement. Credit earned in such courses is not normally accepted. This work may be evaluated by the college for potential credit toward a specific degree program after admission and registration, subject to validation by proficiency examination or successful completion of advanced course work. Credit hours may be reduced from that shown by the originating agency.

All criteria are subject to the recommendations of the college of enrollment and the department that offers similar courses.

Credit for experiential learning. Experiential learning credit is not accepted for transfer admission purposes. A student who believes himself or herself to be knowledgeable in a specific course may be granted credit through established proficiency procedures by the college of enrollment and the department offering a similar course after admission and registration.

## **Application Documents**

An applicant for admission as a transfer student must submit the following (all credentials presented for admission become the permanent property of the University, are not subsequently released to the student or to another individual or institution, and are not held for reconsideration of admission to subsequent terms):

- A completed admission application form. Admission application forms are available from the Office of Admissions and Records or at [www.oar.uiuc.edu](http://www.oar.uiuc.edu).
- A \$40 (\$50 for international students) check or money order (amount subject to change), payable to the University of Illinois, in payment of the nonrefundable application processing fee. The University is not responsible for cash sent through the mail. Direct transfer applicants from the University of Illinois at Chicago or Springfield are exempt from payment of this fee.
- An official high school transcript received directly from the high school of graduation.
- Official transcripts of all college work attempted received directly from the institution(s) attended.
- ACT or SAT test score received directly from the testing company, and high school class rank received