

# How Credits Transfer to ASU

ASU will accept transfer credit for traditional course work you have successfully completed at regionally accredited institutions of higher education. Keep in mind that the applicability of the specific course toward a degree depends on the requirements of the department, division, college or school in which you are enrolled at ASU.

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You must have your transcripts sent from the issuing institution directly to ASU in order for courses to be evaluated and transferred. ASU applies the following general standards for transferring credit from another institution.

- ASU accepts college level (not remedial) courses in which you have earned a grade of C (4.00=A) or better from regionally accredited institutions.
- A maximum of 64 semester hours of credit will be accepted as lower-division credit when transferred from a regionally accredited community, junior or two-year college, with the exception of some special programs.
- Some ASU colleges/schools may not accept credit for courses that are evaluated with nontraditional grading systems (e.g. pass/fail).
- Acceptable academic credits earned at other institutions that are based on a different unit of credit than the one prescribed by the Arizona Board of Regents are subject to conversion before being transferred to ASU. All ASU students must meet graduation requirements (university, college, major and general studies requirements) in order to earn a bachelor's degree. The ASU college of your major determines how transfer courses fulfill the degree requirements of your ASU major. You should review the degree requirements of the program into which you intend to transfer and confer with an academic advisor about your credits and how they will apply to your degree program. (Search ASU's 250+ academic programs and read program requirements.)
- Grades and honor points that you earned at other colleges and universities are considered for admission (with the exception for honorably discharged veterans), but your ASU cumulative grade point average (GPA) is based solely upon course work taken at ASU. (However, if you are an honorably discharged veteran who served in the Armed Forces of the United States for a minimum of two years, you are given an exception to the way your grades and honor points are treated for admission. When Undergraduate Admissions reviews your application for admission, they may not consider any failing grades you received at an Arizona university or college before your military service. Please contact Undergraduate Admissions at [admissions@asu.edu](mailto:admissions@asu.edu) if you believe you are eligible.)

### ASU will NOT accept the following types of credit:

- Courses in which you earned a grade below "C-."
- Credit awarded by postsecondary institutions in the U.S. that lack candidate status or accreditation by a regional accrediting association.
- Credit awarded by postsecondary institutions for life experience.
- Credit awarded by postsecondary institutions for courses taken at non-collegiate institutions (e.g., governmental agencies, corporations, industrial firms, etc.).
- Credit awarded by postsecondary institutions for non-credit courses, workshops and seminars offered by other post-secondary institutions as part of continuing education programs.

### Where to send transcripts

Official transcripts must be mailed or sent electronically directly to Undergraduate Admissions by the records office of the issuing institution(s). ASU does not accept transcripts sent or carried by hand by the applicants themselves or transmitted by fax.

Undergraduate Admissions  
Arizona State University  
PO Box 870112  
Tempe, AZ 85287-0112

## Credit by Examination

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[http://catalog.asu.edu/credit\\_exam](http://catalog.asu.edu/credit_exam)

Students may receive credit for an ASU course by taking an examination in place of the actual course. Learn more about earning credits by taking an exam such as College-level Examination Program (CLEP), Advancement Placement (AP) credit and [more](#).

## Appeal Process

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Students who feel they have been unjustly denied credit for transfer courses they have taken may appeal to the appropriate committee.

### **Veterans Exception**

By Arizona statute, no failing grades received by a veteran at an Arizona university or community college before military service may be considered when determining admissibility. This exception may be used only one time and applies only to veterans who meet all three criteria listed:

1. Are honorably discharged.
2. Have served in the armed forces of the United States for a minimum of two years.
3. Have previously enrolled at a university or community college in Arizona.

Military service records must be submitted, including form DD 214.