

TRANSFER CREDIT POLICY

Loras College accepts collegiate-level, academic course work from regionally accredited colleges and universities. "Regionally accredited" refers to the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools or by similar regional accrediting associations. Transfer credit is accepted as equivalent coursework based on the credit value of the Loras course.

Providing an official transcript

Students who have completed coursework at another institution may submit an official transcript to the Registrar's Office, Mail #1 1450 Alta Vista St., Dubuque IA 52001. Once the transcript is received, it will be evaluated to determine which courses will transfer. The transcript(s) should be provided prior to the beginning of the student's first semester at Loras. Failure to provide the transcript(s) by the stated time limit may result in denial of transfer credit.

Required grades for transfer credit

Only collegiate-level, academic course work with a final grade of "C" or better will be considered for transfer credit. A course with a grade of "P" or "S" may be awarded transfer credit at the discretion of the Registrar's Office. A course will be considered for transfer credit only if content was similar to a Loras College course.

Maximum transfer credit awarded

A maximum of 64 credits from a community college/junior college/two-year college and/or examination credit may be awarded toward the total number of hours needed for graduation. A maximum of 90 credits from a four-year institution may be awarded toward the total number of hours needed for graduation. A maximum of 90 credits from two-year and four-year institutions combined may be awarded toward the total number of hours needed for graduation (not to exceed the previous stated maximums). The Registrar's Office reserves the right to determine the total number of credits to be awarded for each transfer course.

Transfer Credit on the Loras College Transcript

Courses awarded transfer credit will be indicated on the Loras College transcript by the name of the college attended and the total number of credits accepted for transfer. Transfer courses are not calculated into the Loras College grade point average.

If a student completes a course at Loras College that had previously been awarded transfer credit from another institution, the transferred course will be removed from the transcript and the student will only receive credit for the Loras course.

Course work not awarded transfer credit

Non-collegiate level course work that was intended to be a review of secondary material (for example, but not limited to, English, mathematics or reading enrichment courses), credit awarded for intercollegiate athletic participation and continuing education units (CEU's) will not be awarded transfer credit.

Course work that may be awarded transfer credit

Credit awarded for internship, practicum, or field experience completed at institutions other than Loras may be awarded transfer credit at the discretion of the Registrar's Office and the academic division which corresponds to the course work. Similarly, applied technical course work completed at a regionally accredited institution may also be awarded transfer credit at the discretion of the aforementioned offices. Military credit recommended by the American Council on Education (ACE) will be evaluated and courses that are found to be similar in content to Loras College courses may be awarded transfer credit. *In general, vocational-technical training and Military Occupational Specialty courses are not awarded transfer credit.*

Special Procedures for International Credit

International credit must be evaluated by an independent evaluation service (with the exception of credit that was earned through an approved study abroad experience) and a course-by-course evaluation must be submitted in order to be considered. Courses that are found to be similar in content to Loras College courses may be awarded transfer credit. Students seeking to transfer international credit should consult with the Registrar's Office to determine an appropriate independent evaluation service provider.

Examination Credit

Advanced Placement (AP Exam) credit earned through the College Entrance Examination Board will be awarded appropriate transfer credit for grades according to the list below. In the situation where the student has been awarded college credit and AP Exam credit for the same course content, transfer credit will be awarded only for the AP Exam.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT SCORES

Test Subject	Minimum Grade	Credit	Equivalent
Art-Drawing	3	3	Elective
Biology	3	4	Elective
Calculus AB	3	4	L.MAT-150 Calculus of One Variable-FM
Calculus BC	3	8	L.MAT-150 Calculus of One Variable-FM and L.MAT 160 Calc of One Variable II
Chemistry	4	4	L.CHE-111 General Chemistry I
Chemistry	5	8	L.CHE-111 General Chemistry I and L.CHE-112 General Chemistry II
Computer Science A	3	4	L.CIT-115 Programming & Design Basics

Macroeconomics	3	3	L.ECO-222 Macroeconomics
Microeconomics	3	3	L.ECO-221 Microeconomics
English Language	3	3	L.LIB-105 College Writing-FW
English Literature	3	3	L.LIB-105 College Writing-FW
European History	3	3	L.HIS-141 Modern Europe Since 1750
Comp Gvt & Politics	3	3	L.POL-211 Comparing Political Regimes
U.S. Gvt & Politics	3	3	L.POL-101 Issues in American Politics
Music Theory	3	3	L.MUS-101 Music Theory I
	4	6	L.MUS-101 Music Theory I and L.MUS-102 Music Theory II
Physics B	3	8	L.PHY-210 Elements of Physics I and L.PHY-211 Elements of Physics II
Physics C	3	4	L.PHY-210 Elements of Physics I
Psychology	4	3	L.PSY-101 Introductory Psychology
Spanish Language	3	3	Elective
Statistics	3	3	L.MAT-115: Statistics-FM
U.S. History	3	6	L.HIS-121 U S History to 1877 and L.HIS-122 US History Since 1865
World History	3	6	L.HIS-175 Themes in World History

College-Level Examination Program (CLEP) credit earned through the College Entrance Examination Board will be awarded appropriate transfer credit for achieving a minimum qualifying score. Students seeking CLEP credit should consult with the Registrar's Office about the minimum qualifying score for individual CLEP examinations.

International Baccalaureate credit earned through the Higher Level Examinations of the International Baccalaureate Program will be awarded appropriate transfer credit for a minimum score of six (6).

Cambridge International Examination credit earned through the Cambridge Assessment will be awarded appropriate transfer credit for a passing score of "A", "B", "C", "D", or "E" on "AS" or "A" level examinations.