How will transfer students know which of their college credits will transfer to PLU?

A. First, a transfer student needs to submit all official college and military transcripts to the Office of Admission. Then, transcript evaluators will consider his/her courses to determine which credits will be accepted and how they will fill requirements at PLU.

In general, students transferring to PLU from a Washington state community college with a Direct Transfer Agreement (DTA) Associate's degree will be considered having satisfied all General University Requirements except one diversity and one religion course. Transfer students with AA or AAS degrees will also have to satisfy mathematics and foreign language entry requirements and meet the requirements for their majors

Only college-level courses from approved institutions of higher education may transfer to PLU. Courses below 100 level typically do not transfer. Further information about transferability of credit and equivalency of courses can be obtained from the transfer equivalency guides at the PLU Web site.

Are credits from many years ago still transferable?

A. PLU does not have an "expiration date" for course credit. You may want to retake older courses to refresh your memory, especially in math or the sciences.

Do grades transfer to PLU?

A. No, only credit hours transfer to PLU. A prospective transfer student's GPA is relevant for determining eligibility for admission to PLU, for admission to competitive majors, and for scholarship eligibility. Transfer students will not have a PLU GPA until they take a PLU class and earn a PLU grade for it.

Grades also are relevant in considering whether a prospective student will be given credit for particular courses, such as major prerequisites, entrance requirements, or general university requirements. There may be minimum requirements, such as Caverage in all foreign language classes, or 3.0 minimum cumulative GPA for the nursing program.

How many credits can transfer students transfer to PLU?

A. From a community (2 year) college: 64 semester credits (96 quarter credits). From four-year colleges: 96 semester credits (144 quarter credits).

Transfer students may take more than the maximum credits at a two- or four-year school (or both combined) for purposes of meeting certain PLU requirements. However, those extra credits will not be considered towards the ultimate number of credits students need to graduate from PLU.

How are quarter credits converted into semester credits (or vice versa)?

A. Quarter credits are multiplied by 2 and divided by 3 to determine semester credits. Conversely, semester credits would be multiplied by 3 and divided by 2 to determine quarter credits.

For example: 96 quarter credits equal 64 semester credits. 96 X 2 = 192. 192/3 = 64. 64 semester credits equal 96 quarter credits. 64 X 3 = 192. 192/2 = 96.

What else do transfer students need to know?

A. Campus tours are available, and Transfer Visit Days are held on a regular basis during the academic year.

You may sit in on classes at certain times during the year.

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