## **Credit Transfer Policies**

The university accepts transfer credits from regionally accredited institutions. Acceptance of transfer credit from institutions lacking regional accreditation is rarely granted and requires approval of the Dean. The university will not accept in transfer:

- Credit for coursework that is remedial or developmental, usually courses below the 100 level, from any
  institution.
- Credit for experiential learning not associated with a formal training program.
- Credit for coursework in which a student earned a grade below "C", any grade designation below "P" (Pass), or audit grades.
- Credit for coursework which is repeated; only the last course taken is eligible for transfer.
- Challenge course credits from other institutions.
- Tech Prep courses.

## **CLEP and AP Credits**

The university accepts CLEP credit in accordance with ACE guidelines. Specifically, at present, this policy provides for credit for CLEP scaled scores of fifty or above. In addition, the university accepts Advanced Placement (AP) credit in accordance with the recommendation of The College Board. At present, the policy provides credit for scores of 3 or higher. A chart detailing the specific correlation between CLEP and AP credits and university requirements is available through both the Registrar's Office and the Student Services Office. Appropriate transcripts must be submitted to the Registrar's Office in order to obtain credit.

In a bachelor degree program the total number of credits which may be applied to university core curriculum is 30 semester credits, 15 semester credits for associate degree program. The total number of credits for subject examinations is 30 semester credits, 15 semester credits for associate degree program. No more than 15 semester credits may be applied to a major, 9 semester credits for a minor.

The University of Great Falls accepts AP and IB coursework for college credit. Click here for details.

## **DSST / Dantes Credits**

The DSST program is an extensive series of 37 examinations in college subject areas that are comparable to the final or end-of-course examinations in undergraduate courses. ACE recommends 3 semester hours of credit per test. DANTES funds paper-based DSST testing for eligible Service members and civilian examinees at DANTES Test Centers and at national test centers (University of Great Falls is a national test center) offering the Internet-based (iBT) DSSTs.

The new score scale uses scores ranging from 200 to 500, with the cut score (pass point) set at 400 for all exams. Score reports for candidates provide the scaled score achieved and the corresponding pass/fail status. A transcript of the passing test score(s) must be submitted to the Registrar's Office in order to receive credit for the passed exam(s).

## **IB Credit**

The University recognizes the rigorous academic nature of the International Baccalaureate program. Students receiving a score of 4 (Satisfactory) or above on their Higher Level (HL) IB exams or a score of 5 (Good) or above on their Standard Level (SL) IB exams will be awarded credit. Students will receive 4 semester credits for lab based courses and up to 5 semester credits for all other HL exams. 3 semester credits will be awarded for all SL exams.

Students must submit their official IB transcripts to the University for an Official Evaluation of transfer credit. The Registrar's Office, in consultation with the appropriate faculty, will make the final determination as to the amount of transfer credit and the placement of credit which may be granted for directly equivalent UGF courses, core curriculum requirements or general elective credit. Previously approved courses and applicable UGF credits are available online and in the Registrar's Office. Students will be notified upon approval of courses and applicable credit will be added to the student transcript and viewable via ArgoExpress.

A maximum of 30 credits may be earned through completion of IB courses.