

Transfer of Course Credit

USAO normally accepts credits from other regionally accredited institutions of higher learning equivalent to those taught at USAO. Transfer credits are accepted and applied to degree programs generally in accordance with the recommendations in the Transfer Credit Practices Guide published by the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers (AACRAO). Consequently, credits from some technical and professional schools may not be applicable toward degree requirements at USAO due to the highly technical or specialized nature of the coursework. Transfer work is counted as lower-division or upper-division credit, depending on the level at which it was offered at the institution where it was earned. Two-year college work is accepted only as lower-division credit.

To make course transfer decisions easier, students will want to consult the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education website and look at the course transfer matrix that outlines courses which will transfer among Oklahoma's public colleges and universities. To do this use www.okhighered.org, click on "Students," then "Transfer Students," then "Course Transfer." Students can select the discipline under which the course falls for the school year desired, then the equivalent courses will be displayed. For Independent (private) colleges and universities transfer guidelines vary from institution to institution. A student will need to check with the institution he or she wishes to attend for additional information. For transfer courses to count toward the major or general education core a grade of at least a "C" must be earned.

A currently enrolled student must have prior approval from his/her advisor and the Registrar's Office before courses will be accepted in transfer and applied to the student's degree program. Interested students are required to complete and file with the Registrar's Office a "Request for Transfer of Credit" form. This form is available in the Registrar's Office.