Transfer Credit Policy

The Office of Transfer Affairs reviews each college-level course taken by transfer candidates accepted for admission. Transfer candidates are notified electronically with their official credit evaluation. To receive transfer credit, a course must have been taken at a regionally accredited degree-granting college or university for credit; it must be comparable in content, nature, and intensity to a course offered at UVM; and the grade earned must be comparable to a C or higher as indicated on an official transcript. The dean of the college or school determines the applicability of the transfer course(s) to the student's degree requirements at the university. Credit is given for course content only once; it is the student's responsibility not to duplicate courses.

All transfer credit remains provisional until the transfer student successfully completes one semester of course work as a degree student at UVM. The UVM grade-point average reflects only course work taken here. Grades from other institutions are not calculated into the UVM GPA and will not appear on a UVM transcript.

Credit through the Advanced Placement Program (AP) of the College Board is granted for scores of 4 or 5. Scores of 3 are acceptable for some exams. Consult our AP credit guide for specifics at: http://www.uvm.edu/admissions/undergraduate/AP_Guide.pdf.

Official AP score reports from the College Board must be sent directly to the Office of Transfer Affairs in order to receive credit. AP course equivalencies are determined by the faculty of the corresponding subject area and are awarded by the Office of Transfer Affairs. AP credit is assigned a UVM course equivalency and applicability to the degree program is determined by the dean's office of the student's college or school. Students receiving transfer credit for AP may not receive credit for the same course at UVM.

Students who complete International Baccalaureate (IB) course work and receive a score of 5 or greater on higher level IB exams may be eligible for transfer credit (UVM does not award credit for standard level exams). Students may receive credit for course work without completing the entire IB curriculum. Up to one year of introductory course work may be awarded in a discipline.

College-level courses taken through high school cooperatives, such as Syracuse University Project Advance (SUPA), may transfer to UVM if they meet the standards set forth above by the Office of Transfer Affairs. Credit may also be obtained through a nationally standardized exam to demonstrate college-level subject mastery.

Advanced Placement Examinations (AP), which can be taken while still in high school, or College Level Examination Placement (CLEP) would serve as recognized standardized exams. More information about UVM's CLEP policy is available at:

http://www.uvm.edu/admissions/undergraduate/applying/?Page=other.html.

A third option is the UVM Credit by Exam. Contact the Office of Transfer Affairs for more information.