

IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY

Transfer Credit Evaluation

How Transfer Credits Apply

The Transfer Credit Evaluation (TCE) outlines all hours submitted for transfer and total hours accepted from other colleges, credit by exam, and military training. **The application of accepted transfer courses to your degree program will be done by your department and will depend on the requirements of your curriculum/major.**

Questions about the application of your transfer credits to your degree program should be directed to the college in which you are enrolling. College representatives may be reached by calling 800 262-3810 or the direct number listed below.

College of Agriculture and Life Sciences
Student Services Office
20 Curtiss Hall
515 294-2766

Ivy College of Business
Undergraduate Programs Office
1200 Gerdin Business Building
515 294-8300
undergrad@iastate.edu

College of Design
Student Services Office
297 College of Design Building
515 294-6983

College of Engineering
Student Services Office
1300 Marston Hall
515 294-7186
engineer@iastate.edu

College of Human Sciences
Student Services Office
118 Mackay Hall
515 294-0865
transport@iastate.edu

College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
Student Academic Services Office
102 Carrie Chapman Catt Hall
515 294-4831

Evaluation Status

The Evaluation Status will indicate if all final, official transcripts have been received by the Office of Admissions. If incomplete, final official records are still needed to complete your application materials and should be submitted as soon as available.

Course Numbers

All courses attempted will be evaluated by the Office of Admissions and entered on your permanent record in the Office of the Registrar. Academic courses that have no Iowa State equivalents are listed by level (1T, 2T, 3T, 4T). Courses numbered 1T and 2T are generally considered to be freshman/sophomore level, with 3T and 4T indicating junior/senior level. Remedial courses are shown as 0R, career-technical as 0V, military as 1M or 3M, and courses for which no credit is granted are shown as 0N. A number is assigned after the letter so courses without an equivalent can be distinguished from each other in the degree audit.

Credit Hours

Iowa State operates on the semester system. If you completed courses on any other system, we have converted your credits to semester hours. For example, one credit on the quarter system is equal to two-thirds of a semester credit. Therefore, a three-credit course on the quarter system is equivalent to a two-credit course on the semester system.

Grades

Grades earned in transfer courses do not become part of your Iowa State grade point average. Grades for academic courses transferring to Iowa State are shown as T2 or T4 followed by a letter. T2 indicates the course was taken at a two-year college and T4 reflects four-year institution credit. Grades for remedial courses or those for which no transfer credit is granted are shown as NTR. Career-technical courses have TTS in the grade column since they transfer only as “satisfactory” credit.

In addition to letter grades, the following non-standard grades may appear:

IP (In Progress):

Course work that you intend to complete, but for which the Office of Admissions has no final official records.

P (Pass) or NP (Not Pass):

Course taken on Pass-Not Pass or similar basis.

S (Satisfactory) or U (Unsatisfactory):

Courses taken on Satisfactory-Fail or similar basis.

T (Test-out):

Credit by examination.

In-Progress Courses

This evaluation includes any courses that may be in progress at another institution. If these courses are not completed, or are changed, this evaluation and your schedule of classes for the first semester at Iowa State will not be correct. Therefore, if you make any changes in these courses, you must notify the Office of Admissions so your transfer evaluation can be adjusted accordingly.

Transfer Credit Limitations

No more than 65 semester or 97 quarter credits earned at two-year colleges can be applied to a baccalaureate degree from Iowa State. While there is no limit to the number of credits that may be transferred from a four-year institution, your last 32 semester credits must be completed at Iowa State. Iowa State will accept up to 16 semester (24 quarter) hours of credit earned in career-technical courses if your community college accepts such courses toward its associate in arts or associate in science degrees.

You should consult with your departmental adviser concerning the number of Pass-Not Pass credits that can be used toward your degree. If you transfer more than nine Pass-Not Pass credits, then additional P-NP credits cannot be taken at Iowa State and applied toward a degree at Iowa State.