

ADMISSIONS POLICY

NUMBER/TITLE: AD-400.2 UNDERGRADUATE TRANSFER CREDIT

Covered Individuals: All Undergraduate Students **Covered Locations:** All Locations **Effective Date:** August 26, 2023 **Strategic Priority:** SP 1.2.C **HLC:** Criterion 4.A **Consultations:** VPASA, VPEMF, Registrar, Director of FA, Faculty (AA Committee), Deans

POLICY STATEMENT

Upper Iowa may transfer up to 78 lower-division college semester credits from accredited institutions. Upper Iowa may transfer an additional 12-semester credits, identified by a four-year transfer institution as upper division credit, to a transfer maximum of 90 semester credits.

PURPOSE

To clearly define what undergraduate transfer credits are accepted at Upper Iowa University.

DEFINITIONS

Articulation Partnership Advantage Institution: Community colleges that have a formal articulation agreement with Upper Iowa University to delineate what courses will transfer.

Lower-Division Credit: Courses numbered 100–299 at Upper Iowa University or equivalent at other institutions.

Transfer Credit: Credit given for prior learning at an approved institution.

Upper-Division Credit: Courses numbered 300–499 at Upper Iowa University or equivalent at other institutions.

POLICY IMPLEMENTATION

Transfer students may expect to receive full credit for college-level courses and/or programs completed at institutions of higher education that are regionally accredited or accredited by an agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education Office of Post-secondary Education (USDE-OPE) or by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA).

Upper Iowa University will also consider acceptance of coursework in transfer from:

- International institutions that are approved/registered by their country's Ministry of Education or other national educational governing body as reviewed and approved by Upper Iowa University.
- International institutions where transcripts for individual students are reviewed and evaluated by an approved foreign credential evaluators service and approved by Upper Iowa University.

Coursework completed at institutions that fail to meet any of the aforementioned criteria will not be accepted in transfer to Upper Iowa University.

Coursework completed with formal Upper Iowa University Articulation Partnership Advantage

institutions will be transferred following articulation guidelines. Coursework from other accredited institutions will be transferred to meet particular degree requirements based on full-time faculty recommendations.

Grades earned in courses accepted for transfer will appear on the student's Upper Iowa University transcript, and the credits earned will count toward the total number required for graduation. However, grade points earned at another institution are not transferred and are not figured into a student's cumulative grade point average (GPA) maintained at Upper Iowa University but are included in calculating the major/endorsement GPA.

Upper Iowa University may transfer up to 78 lower-division college semester credits from accredited institutions. These 78-semester credits may include:

- 1. Up to nine-semester credits of activity courses, including transcripted intercollegiate athletics.
- 2. No credits from courses identified by Upper Iowa University as remedial or developmental level.
- 3. No more than 30-semester credits from one-year occupational diploma programs.

Upper Iowa University may transfer an additional 12-semester credits, identified by the four-year transfer institution as upper division credit, to a transfer maximum of 90 semester credits.

Up to 78 lower division semester credits and 12 upper division semester credits evaluated by the American Council on Education (ACE) and semester credits earned through CLEP, DSST, Excelsior College, and ACT-PEP examinations will transfer to Upper Iowa University.

Transfer grades lower than a C- will not be accepted.

Upper Iowa University will accept AA or AS degrees with a liberal arts core as fulfillment of the general education requirements for a baccalaureate program. Prerequisites are not waived.

CUSTODIAN

University Registrar

RELATED DOCUMENTS, FORMS, AND POLICIES None.

HISTORY

New/Revision	Date of	Revision Change
Number	Action/Approval	
AD-400.2	10/18/2023	Changes made due to the elimination of Nursing program; PC approved.
AD-400	6/7/2023	Taken from 2022-2023 catalog with one addition: PC approved.