

# Policies for Transfer Students Seeking to Satisfy BLUEprint Requirements

1. Students may transfer approved courses into Illinois College to substitute for BLUEprint (General Education) courses. In most cases, departments will collaborate with the Office of the Registrar to approve courses from other institutions of higher learning to meet the standards of various BLUEprint requirements. In cases for which there is no appropriate department or program to approve such a course, students may petition for approval by submitting the Educational Policies Appeal (EPA) form.
2. Students who transfer to Illinois College with less than 15 credits must take the First-Year Seminar (FYS).
3. Students who have earned an associate's degree prior to initial matriculation at Illinois College complete the BLUEprint with the following modifications:
  1. Exemption of the First-Year Seminar
  2. Substitution of a non-studio arts class for the Creative Expressions Studio requirement
  3. Substitution of a second Global Awareness course or a second U.S. Diversity BLUEprint course for the Modern Language BLUEprint requirement

For transfer students who have not earned an associate's degree prior to initial enrollment at Illinois College, similar substitutions may be made on a case by case basis.

## **GENERAL EDUCATION AND TRANSFER POLICIES FOR ONLINE DEGREE PROGRAMS**

Illinois College welcomes students into its fully online programs, and the faculty have approved several substitutions to the general education requirements to acknowledge the different circumstances of this mode of study.

Students in the fully online programs who possess an associate degree or at least one year of work experience relevant to their area of academic interest are exempt from the convocation requirement. Students with transfer credits but no degree who possess at least one year of work experience relevant to their area of academic interest are exempt from the first-year seminar or transfer seminar requirement, can substitute a Science in Society non-lab course for the lab requirement, and can substitute an additional Global Awareness course for the language requirement.