Transfer Credits

In most cases, Illinois College accepts transfer credits from regionally accredited institutions of higher education for coursework equivalent to coursework offered at Illinois College. In general, undergraduate academic coursework with a grade of 'C-' or better is transferrable to Illinois College while vocational and graduate course work is not because Illinois College does not offer work in these areas. No credit is given for any coursework for which the student received a grade below a 'C-' or a credit/no credit grade. An exception will be made and CR grades will be accepted for courses taken in spring 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Official transcripts from an accredited college are required before transfer credit can be accepted and recorded on the student record. Copies issued to the student, even sealed copies, are not accepted as official. Transfer credits are evaluated by the Office of the Registrar in consultation with the relevant academic departments. Application of the coursework within each major is determined by that academic program. Acceptance of transfer courses for credit does not automatically guarantee that those courses will substitute for particular Illinois College courses in meeting general education requirements or within majors or minors. Transfer courses normally receive the semester hour equivalent of the credit value of the institution where the courses were taken, whether higher or lower than the equivalent Illinois College course. The grades earned on transfer work do not count toward the grade point average at Illinois College.

Illinois College accepts credits earned by dual enrollment, provided the credits are presented on the transcript of an accredited institution of higher education. Illinois College also accepts Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, CLEP and other work based on testing, based on its evaluation of the test scores. In no case does Illinois College allow double-dipping (e.g., credit for both the AP test results and a dual-credit high school course in the same area would not be allowed). Illinois College also accepts military education credits which meet the same equivalence standards as other transfer work.

No more than 88 hours of transfer work from accredited two-year colleges or four-year institutions may be counted toward an Illinois College degree. Students entering with an Associate of Applied Science degree from institutions with an approved articulation agreement on file with Illinois College will transfer a minimum of 60 semester credit hours. Any credit earned beyond the 60 semester credit hours will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis for transfer. Students must earn at least 32 semester hours of academic credit at Illinois College, with 24 of the last 32 completed with Illinois College.

For students already enrolled at the College, the Transfer Credit Approval form for pre-approval of courses to be taken out of residence is available from the Office of the Registrar, the Illinois College website and Connect2 and is highly recommended for all transfer work. Applicability for general education or major/minor credit should be documented by completion of this pre-approval form.