

# Policies for Transfer Students Seeking to Satisfy BLUEprint 3.0 Requirements

1. Students may transfer approved courses into Illinois College to substitute for BLUEprint 3.0 (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. Oral Communications: Students who satisfy the Oral Communications requirement by taking an approved course away from Illinois College will be considered to have completed the Ethical and Responsible Actions and Speaking Extensive experiences normally satisfied by the Communications 101 course at Illinois College.
3. Written Communications: Students who satisfy the Written Communications requirement by taking an approved course away from Illinois College will be considered to have completed the Writing Extensive and Information Literacy experiences normally satisfied by the English 121 course at Illinois College.

## **SEMINAR COURSE REQUIREMENTS FOR TRANSFER STUDENTS:**

Students who transfer to Illinois College with less than 15 credits must take the First-Year Seminar (FYS) or the Transfer Student Seminar (TSS). Students who transfer to Illinois College with at least 15 credits from another institution of higher education are strongly encouraged to take the Transfer Student Seminar (TSS). The Transfer Student Seminar, along with Oral and Written Communications, make up the set of Foundations requirements for transfer students who enter Illinois College with at least 15 credits.

Transfer students entering Illinois College with an associate's degree (AA or AS) are exempt from all Foundations and Explorations requirements. They remain responsible for other BLUEprint 3.0 requirements.

## **TRANSFER STUDENT SEMINAR**

The Transfer Student Seminar is designed to help transfer students fulfill BLUEprint 3.0 requirements.

Successful completion of TSS also guarantees credit for three embedded experiences: Community/ Civic Engagement, Ethical and Responsible Actions, and Information Literacy.

Successful completion of TSS and a science lab course taken either at Illinois College or elsewhere will together satisfy the Exploration requirement of Science in Society with lab.

Students may transfer into Illinois College courses which meet the embedded experience requirements.

## **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 (A.A., A.D.N., A.S.) are exempt from all Foundations and Explorations requirements. They remain responsible for other BLUEprint 3.0 requirements.

Students in the fully online programs who possess an associate degree (A.A., A.D.N., A.S.) 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.