



TRANSFER STUDENT HANDBOOK

WELCOME TO PORTLAND STATE UNIVERSITY



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Tips for a Successful Transfer

To get started, visit the Admissions Office during drop-in hours and meet with an admissions counselor (or schedule an appointment) to discuss your educational goals. Join one of the daily tours to better acquaint yourself with the campus and meet current PSU students. If you plan to apply for financial aid, please review financial aid requirements and processes or schedule an appointment with a financial aid counselor.

HOW DO I KNOW IF MY CREDITS TRANSFER?

Prior to admission, students at Oregon and southwest Washington community colleges and universities may use PSU's online resource, "u.select" to see how credits transfer. See pdx.transfer.org/ to access u.select online information. U.select will show how credits will transfer and what courses satisfy requirements for your major. Once you're admitted, you will receive an official evaluation of your transfer credits.

HOW TO USE "U.SELECT"

U.select provides a Course Equivalency Guide that shows how courses from certain colleges transfer to PSU. Most, but not all, Oregon colleges are listed as well as some community colleges in southwest Washington.

FOLLOW THESE STEPS FOR YOUR COURSE EQUIVALENCY GUIDE:

1. Go to pdx.transfer.org/
2. Select "Guest Login"
3. Click on "Equivalency by School"
4. Select "Portland State University" as the target institution
5. Select "U.S. States"
6. Select "OR or WA"
7. Select your institution and click on "Add Schools" then "Create Guide"
8. Choose a department from the "Course(s)" pull-down menu to reveal Portland State equivalencies for each course offered in that department

Create your personal u.select account. By doing this, you will have access to more information, including the ability to create personalized degree audits which identify complete and incomplete requirements toward a specific major at PSU. U.select is a helpful tool, but please remember, this audit is not official. An official evaluation of your credits will be based on your official transcripts after you are admitted.

THE OREGON TRANSFER MODULE

Oregon Transfer Module (OTM) is designed to help transfer students acquire foundational learning experiences that meet first-year general education requirements. The OTM facilitates transfer without a loss of credit or unnecessary duplication of courses. For more information about the OTM, see www.pdx.edu/admissions/oregon-transfer-module.

Campus Visits

PSU offers many opportunities to visit our campus, meet with faculty, and learn about student resources. Join us for a visit event and/or an online chat to answer questions about Portland State.

VIKING VISITATIONS

These are half-day organized visit programs. These events are not a substitute for orientation, but offer an overview of the University. Call 503-725-5555 for more information or register online at www.pdx.edu/admissions/visit.

CAMPUS TOURS

Student-led campus tours every weekday. Call 503-725-5555 or email psutours@pdx.edu for tour times.

For more information:

Admissions

Room 105, Neuberger Hall
503-725-3511
admissions@pdx.edu

Campus Visits

Room 131, Neuberger Hall
503-725-5555
psutours@pdx.edu

Financial Aid

Lobby, 1st Floor, Neuberger Hall
503-725-3461
askfa@pdx.edu

Transfer Admission Requirements

USA TRANSFER STUDENTS

To be admitted as a transfer student, applicants must have at least 30 quarter credit or 20 semester credit hours of transferable college work from a regionally accredited institution with a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.25. Transfer students must complete Writing 121 with a C- or better prior to admission. Students who have earned a transferable associate's degree or an OTM are admissible with a minimum of a 2.0 GPA and successful completion of Writing 121 with a C- or better.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

International students must complete 30 transferable college quarter credits, excluding ESL courses, with a 2.25 GPA or higher at a U.S. regionally accredited college/university or equivalent as determined by the Office of Admissions, Registration and Records. Transfer students who present a transferable associate's degree or an Oregon Transfer Module will be admitted with a minimum cumulative 2.0 GPA. International students must successfully complete Writing 121 with a C- or better either before admission or within one term of non-ESL enrollment at PSU.

English language proficiency requirement

Admitted students who meet the English language proficiency requirement may enroll in academic classes. Those who do not meet this requirement will be restricted to ESL classes until the requirement has been met. Applicants may demonstrate English language proficiency by submitting either TOEFL or IELTS scores.

PSU English Proficiency Standards

Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL)

Paper-Based Test (PBT)	527
Computer-Based Test (CBT)	197
Internet-Based Test (IBT)	71

Subsection Scores

Reading	15
Writing	15

International English Language Testing System (IELTS)

6.0 overall. Minimum 6.0 on reading and writing.

Information on the international TOEFL is available from TOEFL, P.O. Box 899, Princeton, NJ 08540 or at www.toefl.org. Information on the PSU Institutional TOEFL is available from PSU Testing Services, 503-725-4428 or www.testing.pdx.edu.

STUDENTS WITH FEWER THAN 30 TRANSFERABLE COLLEGE CREDITS

To be admitted, students must submit both high school and college official transcripts, meet transfer admissions requirements as listed above, and satisfy freshman admission requirements of a 3.0 cumulative high school GPA and 14 subject area requirements, with a C- or better:

English: 4 years **Math:** 3 years (including Algebra II)

Science: 2 years **Social science:** 3 years

Second language: 2 years

Applicants must also submit SAT/ACT scores if they have graduated from high school within three years of applying for admission.

SECOND LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY REQUIREMENT

Students who graduated from an Oregon high school, completed a GED, or would have graduated in 1997 or after must demonstrate proficiency by showing two years of the same second language on a high school transcript, or two semesters or quarters of the same college-level second language. Students may also show proficiency by taking a language exam. If you meet all other requirements and are lacking the second language proficiency, you may be admitted, but must complete the requirement prior to graduation from PSU.

How to Apply for Admission

Submit an application for undergraduate admission with the non-refundable \$50 application fee. You must also submit official transcripts from all colleges attended, including your current college. If you have completed fewer than 30 transferable quarter credits, you will also need to submit an official copy of your high school transcript and SAT/ACT scores. You may apply for admission while you are still attending another institution according to the schedule below.

Priority Action Application Deadline

To Begin:	Apply By:
*Fall term	December 1
Winter term	October 1
Spring term	February 1
Summer session	May 1

To receive financial aid, apply for university scholarships, or live in university housing, apply as early as possible. After all your application materials are received, you will receive an admission decision and transfer evaluation within four weeks. Remember to have your final official transcripts forwarded to Portland State University once you complete your last term.

Where to Apply

SUBMIT AN ONLINE APPLICATION

At www.pdx.edu/admissions/apply complete the online application. Forward your official transcripts in person or by mail to the Admissions Office. Transcripts are considered official when they arrive in the sending institution's original sealed and unopened envelope.

IN PERSON

Admissions, Registration and Records
Portland State University
Room 105, Neuberger Hall
724 SW Harrison St.
Portland, Oregon 97201

BY MAIL

Admissions, Registration and Records
Portland State University
PO Box 901
Portland, Oregon 97207-0901

Co-Admission

HOW TO TAKE CLASSES CONCURRENTLY AT A COMMUNITY COLLEGE AND PORTLAND STATE UNIVERSITY

The Co-Admission Program with PSU and one of our partner community colleges greatly expands your options for taking classes, accessing services, and more.

The Co-Admission Program offers you concurrent enrollment opportunities and financial aid options to tailor your educational experiences to fit your personal goals, preferences, timelines, and budget. You will have the opportunity to work with advisers from both the community college and PSU who can help you choose the courses that will best fulfill your degree requirements.

Get an Application for Co-Admission by:

1. Visiting www.pdx.edu/admissions/co-admission-applicant to download a Co-Admission Application; or
2. Contacting your community college admissions or advising office; or
3. Contacting Portland State University's Office of Admissions, Registration and Records by phone at 503-725-3511 or by email at admissions@pdx.edu.

*An Advanced Tuition Deposit and Intent to Enroll Notice is required to secure your place in the fall term. The Advanced Tuition Deposit of \$200 is non-refundable after July 1.

Co-Admission applications should be submitted to the admissions/advising office of the participating community college. Separate admissions application fees for Portland State and the community college may apply.

For Co-Admission application deadlines, please visit: www.pdx.edu/admissions/co-admission-application-deadlines.

After You are Admitted

TRANSFER EVALUATION

Once admitted, your transfer evaluation confirms how your transfer credits will apply to a PSU degree. The transfer evaluation is also accessible online at www.my.pdx.edu.

TRANSFER STUDENT ORIENTATION

You will receive information about Orientation: Advising and Registration for transfer students. This program is designed to help admitted transfer students become familiar with graduation requirements, student services, campus resources, and how to get involved on campus. You will meet with academic advisers to select courses that most effectively achieve your academic goals. For information, contact the Office of Orientation and Campus Visits at 503-725-5555 or go to www.pdx.edu/orientation.

ACADEMIC ADVISING

Academic advising is important to student success both before and after you transfer.

Advising regarding your major is available from your academic major department. Please see the advising section under "Knowing What Courses to Take" in this handbook for more information.

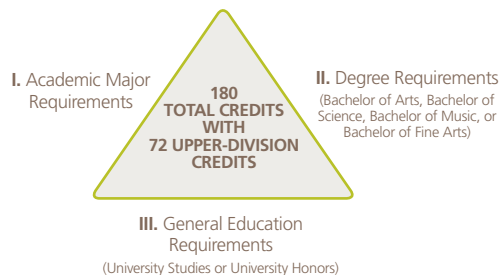
For drop-in advising availability or to schedule an appointment, visit www.pdx.edu/advising, call 503-725-4005, or email askuasc@pdx.edu.



Getting a Baccalaureate Degree from Portland State University

PSU requires that you complete at least 180 quarter credit hours with a minimum of 72 upper-division credit hours (300- and 400-level). Transfer credits will apply toward your total credits needed to graduate and may also apply to the other graduation requirements discussed below. Forty-five of your last 60 credits must be taken at PSU. You must complete all the requirements for the three components of a baccalaureate degree.

THREE COMPONENTS:



I. Academic Major Requirements

You must declare a major before or during your junior year. A major is an academic area on which you have chosen to focus. Your major may be as specific as biology or as general as liberal studies. The list of course requirements for each major can be found in the *Portland State University Bulletin*, available in the PSU bookstore or online at pdx.edu/registration/psu-Bulletin. A variety of minors and certificates are also available to supplement your educational program. The requirements for these are also available in the *Bulletin* as well as at pdx.edu/advising/majors-and-programs.

II. Degree Requirements

There are four undergraduate degree options at PSU:

- Bachelor of Arts (B.A.)
- Bachelor of Science (B.S.)
- Bachelor of Music (B.M.)
- Bachelor of Fine Arts (B.F.A.)

Academic advising for the Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) or the Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degrees may be obtained through the Undergraduate Advising Support Center (UASC) at 503-725-4005. Academic advising for the Bachelor of Music or Bachelor of Fine Arts can be obtained through their respective departments: 503-725-3011 (Music) and 503-726-3515 (Art).



The major you choose may determine your graduation degree. For example, if you want to major in English or applied linguistics, you will receive a Bachelor of Arts degree. However, if you wish to major in sociology or business, you may opt for either a Bachelor of Arts or a Bachelor of Science. Speak with your academic adviser or refer to the *Bulletin* at www.pdx.edu/registration/psu-Bulletin for degree options and requirements.

Bachelor of Arts (B.A.): 12 credits in arts and letters (4 credits must be in fine and performing arts); 12 credits in science and/or social science (4 credits must be in science); and 4 credits in foreign language numbered 203 or higher (conducted in the target language).

Bachelor of Science (B.S.): 12 credits in science (excluding mathematics/statistics); 8 of the 12 science credits must be coursework with a lab or field work; 12 credits in arts and letters and/or social science; and 4 credits in mathematics/statistics.

III. General Education Requirements

There are two tracks available to fulfill the general education requirements: University Studies or University Honors. The general education requirements are designed to provide you with a foundation for your college curriculum, allowing you to develop the knowledge and abilities expected from college graduates.

University Studies Program

GOALS OF UNIVERSITY STUDIES

Communication

Enhance student capacity to communicate, orally and visually, in various ways and to gain competency using appropriate communication technologies.

Inquiry and Critical Thinking

Understand various perspectives and how to analyze, synthesize, investigate, and conceptualize different points of view in order to become an active, self-motivated, and empowered learner.

Social and Ethical Issues

Develop an understanding of, and practice in, social and ethical responsibility to society both locally and globally.

The Diversity of the Human Experience

Develop an appreciation for, and an understanding of, the rich complexity of the human experience through the study of differences in ethnic and cultural perspectives, class, race, gender, sexual orientation, and ability.

TRANSFER STUDENT PLACEMENT

Transfer students are placed in the University Studies Program according to the number of transfer credits completed upon

Transfer Credits

CREDITS	TRANSFERRED	CLASS STANDING
0-29	Freshman	Freshman Inquiry (UNST 1X1, 1X2, 1X3)
30-59	Sophomore	Three Sophomore Inquiry courses (UNST 211-299)
60-74	Sophomore	Two Sophomore Inquiry courses (UNST 211-299)
75-89	Sophomore	One Sophomore Inquiry course (UNST 211-299)
90+	Junior	Three Upper-division (UD) Cluster courses (12 credits) and a Senior Capstone (6 credits)

www.pdx.edu/unst

admission to PSU. Once you have begun taking PSU classes, additional credits completed at another institution will not change this placement. Placement for students participating in one of our co-admission programs may differ. Please contact the Community College Relations Office at 503-725-9546 or email cctransfer@pdx.edu for questions about placement. **See the table above.**

UNIVERSITY STUDIES REQUIREMENTS

As the table above indicates, the lower-division portion of your University Studies courses will be satisfied if you have 90 or more transferable credits. You are responsible for completing the Upper-Division (UD) Cluster of your choice and Senior Capstone, a total of 18 credits.

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Freshman Inquiry

Transfer students who are admitted with 0–29 credits should enroll in Freshman Inquiry. Freshman Inquiry (FRINQ) is a year-long sequence of courses (15 credits) taught by an interdisciplinary team of instructors. The course also includes a Mentored Inquiry co-requisite that allows you to meet with a third of the class and discuss the class materials with an upper-class peer mentor.

FRESHMAN INQUIRY (FRINQ)

UNST 100-Level Class. A year-long, theme-based course with a mentor section that corresponds with the class.

SOPHOMORE INQUIRY (SINQ)

UNST 200-Level Class. Three one-term courses with a mentor section that corresponds with the class.

UPPER-DIVISION CLUSTER

Classes are offered by academic departments and are designated with a “U” in class schedule. Three courses in one cluster linked to one of the Sophomore Inquiry courses.

SENIOR CAPSTONE

UNST 421. A six-credit community-based learning class.

Sophomore Inquiry

Transfer students who are admitted with between 30-89 credits will take the required number of Sophomore Inquiry courses. Sophomore Inquiry (SINQ) courses are gateway courses that introduce you to the themes that are to be explored further in the Upper-Division (UD) Cluster. Sophomore Inquiry courses also include a Mentored Inquiry co-requisite.

Upper-Division Cluster

All students are required to complete 12 credits in an Upper-Division (UD) Cluster. The UD Cluster is an approved group of upper-division courses that explore an interdisciplinary theme. Each cluster includes courses from several academic departments.

Senior Capstone

The Senior Capstone, a course developed and taught by a faculty member, focuses on a community-based project. You will work as part of a team with students from a variety of disciplines. The Senior Capstone is not linked to the UD Cluster.

University Honors Program

The University Honors Program is an alternative way to meet general education requirements. The University Honors Program is intended for students who have a minimum SAT score of 1200 (combination of mathematics and critical reading) and a minimum high school cumulative GPA of 3.5, and who plan to pursue an advanced degree after graduation. Most students in the University Honors Program begin as freshmen. Students who have completed more than 60 quarter credit hours of college work are not usually considered for admission through this program. For more information, visit www.honors.pdx.edu.

Knowing What Courses to Take

Even before you are admitted to PSU, meet with an academic adviser, and visit the academic advising website at www.pdx.edu/advising. Understanding our requirements will help you make informed decisions about coursework. Note that PSU academic advisers make regular visits to Portland-area community colleges.

COMMUNITY COLLEGE RELATIONS OFFICE (CCR)

CCR academic advisers assist transfer students' transition from community college to Portland State. Advisers provide on-site academic advising at local community colleges for students planning to transfer. For more information call 503-725-9546, go to www.pdx.edu/uasc/community-college-relations or email cctransfer@pdx.edu.

UNDERGRADUATE ADVISING AND SUPPORT CENTER (UASC)

The UASC offers general academic advising to current and prospective undergraduate students. Drop-in hours are available Monday through Friday in room 425 Smith Memorial Student Union. For information, call 503-725-4005, email askuasc@pdx.edu, or go to www.pdx.edu/uasc.

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES (CLAS)

CLAS advises students who have a major within the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, as well as students interested in pre-professional programs, such as law, medicine, education, or allied health. Call 503-725-3822 for drop-in hours in room 387 Cramer Hall or to make an appointment with an adviser.

MASEEH COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING AND COMPUTER SCIENCE

Learn more about engineering and computer science with

pre-admission tours and advising available through the Dean's Office. Call 503-725-4631 for an appointment, go to www.cecs.pdx.edu, or email adviser@cecs.pdx.edu.

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION STUDENT SERVICES OFFICE

Academic advising is available during drop-in hours each week. Transfer equivalency guides for business requirements are available for Oregon community colleges. For more information, call 503-725-3712, go to www.pdx.edu/sba or email info@sba.pdx.edu.

Catalog Year / *PSU Bulletin*

Students may graduate according to the requirements of the *PSU Bulletin* in effect when they first enrolled at any accredited, postsecondary institution. While most credits are valid forever, how those credits fit within requirements may change. Each year, PSU publishes a new *Bulletin* which contains changes in requirements. No *Bulletin* is valid for longer than the summer term following the seventh academic year after issuance of the *Bulletin*. For example, the 2003–2004 *Bulletin* will expire at the end of summer session 2010. If you have questions about which *Bulletin* years you are eligible to use, contact the Undergraduate Advising and Support Center (UASC) at 503-725-4005.

Paying for College

There are many resources to help you pay for your college education.

FINANCIAL AID

When you apply for financial aid, be sure to include Portland State University's school code (003216) on your FAFSA application. You must be admitted to Portland State University before financial aid is awarded. For information call 503-725-3461 or email askfa@pdx.edu. Please visit www.pdx.edu/finaid.

SCHOLARSHIPS

For information and applications for Portland State University-specific and other scholarships, visit www.pdx.edu/scholarships or call 503-725-5445. Scholarship information is generally available in September for the following fall term. Be aware that many scholarship application deadlines are as early as January or February for the following academic year. The General University Scholarship Application deadline is February 1.

University Housing

PSU offers a variety of housing options, ranging from furnished one-room sleepers to two-bedroom apartments. Some housing options are first come-first serve. Students who wish to live on campus should begin making housing arrangements as soon as they are admitted. For information, call University Housing at 503-725-4333 or visit www.pdx.edu/housing.

Child Care

Part-time and full-time child care is available to students. Both child care centers have waiting lists; students should contact them early in the admission process.

The Helen Gordon Child Development Center provides full-time care for children from nine months to kindergarten. For information, call 503-725-3092 or visit www.hgcdc.pdx.edu.

ASPSU Children's Center provides services for students and faculty seeking part-time, drop-in child care for children ages one to nine. For information, call 503-725-2273.

Student Parent Services (SPS) is a program that helps student parents manage the conflicting roles and responsibilities that school, work, and family demand. For information about resources, subsidized child care, or emergency loan assistance, call 503-725-5655 or go to www.sps.pdx.edu.

Campus Life

Portland State University students are involved in many areas of the campus community. Student involvement is a great way to make a difference on campus, meet new friends, explore personal interests and build your résumé. In fact, students who are involved on campus get better grades and are more likely to graduate.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES AND LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS (SALP)

SALP offers activities and organizations that fall into these categories: academic/honorary, fine and performing arts, Greek life/leadership, multicultural, political, recreational, service/advocacy, and spiritual. For information about Student Activities and Leadership Programs, call 503-725-4452, email leadership@pdx.edu or visit www.salp.pdx.edu.

TAU SIGMA NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Tau Sigma is a nationally recognized honor society for transfer students. For information about membership and scholarship opportunities, please email cctransfer@pdx.edu.

Student Services

PSU offers student services to support you while you are enrolled.

ACADEMIC SUPPORT PROGRAM (ASP)

The ASP provides PSU students with additional support, mentoring, and advising to promote their academic success. Services include access to a three-credit "College Success" course, study skills workshops, mentoring, and referrals to other campus resources. Students who are having academic difficulty, or who are conditionally admitted to the University are encouraged to discuss their situation with an UASC academic adviser to determine their eligibility for the program. For information, call 503-725-4005, email askuasc@pdx.edu or visit www.pdx.edu/uasc.

CAREER CENTER

Career counselors assist students and alumni with career development and job search needs. Through individual appointments and group workshops, the center guides students through the career decision-making process. In addition, the center assists students and alumni with resume development, interview preparation, and methods for effective job searches. Call 503-725-4613, email askcarc@pdx.edu, or visit www.pdx.edu/careers.



STUDENT HEALTH AND COUNSELING CENTER*

This office serves the “whole student” on many levels, including physical, psychological, and intellectual – all at one location. Services include medical and dental health, testing, counseling and psychological services, and health promotion and education. For information, call 503-725-2800 or visit www.shac.pdx.edu.

DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER (DRC)

The DRC works to ensure access to University courses, programs, facilities, and activities by providing or arranging reasonable accommodations, academic adjustments, auxiliary aids and services, training, consultation, and technical assistance. Contact DRC to determine your eligibility for services. Call 503-725-4150 or TTY 503-725-6504 or email drc@pdx.edu.

DIVERSITY AND MULTICULTURAL STUDENT SERVICES (DMSS)

The DMSS provides comprehensive academic support services to students from populations traditionally under-represented in higher education, first-generation students, and students from diverse backgrounds. DMSS administers scholarship programs and provides general advising, advocacy, and counseling for diverse students. Programs include the TRiO programs: Student Support Services, Upward Bound, and Educational Talent Search. Students are also served through the Diversity Scholarship Programs, African American Student Services, Latino Student Services, Native American/Alaskan Native Student Services, the Native American Student and Community Center (NASCC), and the Multicultural Center (MCC). Call 503-725-4457 or visit www.pdx.edu/dmss.

PEER TUTORING AND LEARNING CENTER (PTLC)

The tutoring center provides drop-in tutoring, supplemental instruction, skills workshops, and individual appointments to help students be successful. For information on subject-specific tutoring and other services, call 503-725-4448 or visit pdx.edu/tutoring.

* PLEASE NOTE THAT STUDENTS NEED TO BE ENROLLED FOR A MINIMUM NUMBER OF CREDITS TO ACCESS THESE SERVICES.

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM (EOP)

The EOP provides support for students who meet criteria as first-generation, low-income students returning to higher education after a long absence, or who have disabilities. For eligibility information, call 503-725-3815 or visit www.eop.pdx.edu.

WOMEN’S RESOURCE CENTER (WRC) AND THE RETURNING WOMEN’S MENTOR PROGRAM

The Women’s Resource Center seeks to empower women and to encourage their active and equal participation in all levels of the University community and the larger society. Women enrolled at PSU or considering returning to college after an interruption in their formal education can receive support and information about campus and community resources. For more information, call 503-725-5672, email wrc@pdx.edu, or visit www.wrc.pdx.edu.

QUEER RESOURCE CENTER (QRC)

The Queer Resource Center strives to provide an inclusive safe space in advocating for gay, lesbian, bi-sexual, transgender, queer, and questioning students. The QRC serves PSU and the surrounding community through outreach education and social programming that promotes awareness. For more information, call 503-725-9742 or email qrc@pdx.edu.

VETERANS SERVICES

Veterans utilizing or considering using their college benefits are provided with advising and referral services. Call 503-725-3876 for more information.

Undergraduate Evening and Weekend Off-campus Programs

The School of Extended Studies uses the strength of the University to serve and empower life-long learners by delivering programs that are flexible, responsive, and innovative. Extended Studies brings the University to the community. To learn about our many locations and academic offerings go to extended.pdx.edu/degree-program.shtml.

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: HOW DO I GUARANTEE THAT WHEN I TRANSFER I WILL BEGIN AS A JUNIOR?

A: If you have 90 or more transferable quarter credits or have earned either an Associate Oregon Transfer degree or a Washington Direct Transfer degree, you will transfer to PSU with junior standing and will have met all lower-division general education requirements. You must complete the upper-division general education requirements, bachelor's degree requirements, and all lower- and upper-division prerequisites and requirements for your major.

Q: HOW WILL MY CREDITS TRANSFER?

A: College-level, 100-level-and-above courses taken at a regionally accredited institution will generally transfer, including up to 12 credits of vocational/ technical coursework. To find out exactly how your credits will be accepted, you must first apply and submit official transcripts. With your acceptance letter you will receive a transfer evaluation telling you exactly how your credits transferred and how they apply to PSU requirements. For information about transfer equivalencies listed for many Oregon and Washington colleges and universities, access [u.select at pdx.transfer.org/](http://u.select.atpdx.transfer.org/) and select, "Guest Login." (see page 2 of this handbook for more information)

Q: ARE THERE LIMITS TO THE NUMBER OF CREDITS I CAN TRANSFER?

A: Yes. PSU will accept up to 124 credits from accredited two-year colleges. We will accept up to 12 vocational/ technical credits, 45 pass/no pass credits, 12 PE credits, 24 ENL/ESL credits and 60 correspondence credits.

Q: WILL MY GPA TRANSFER?

A: An entry GPA will be figured by including all of the grades accepted as transfer credits. All of the courses taken at PSU will accumulate a PSU GPA.

Q: WHEN IS THE BEST TIME TO TRANSFER FROM A COMMUNITY COLLEGE?

A: Your decision may depend upon several factors, including academic interests, social interests, and personal goals. Once you meet the qualifications to be admitted as a transfer student, you can transfer any time. For assistance in making that decision, you may contact advisers in our Community College Relations Office at 503-725-9546 or email cctransfer@pdx.edu.

Q: IF ATTENDING A COMMUNITY COLLEGE IS LESS EXPENSIVE, AND I CAN TAKE THE SAME LOWER-DIVISION COURSES AS THOSE AT PSU, WHY DOESN'T EVERYONE START AT A COMMUNITY COLLEGE?

A: Many students want the selection offered at PSU as well as the four-year college experience, including living on campus and becoming involved with student organizations. Others have heard about our University Studies Program and like the idea of being in small classes while attending a large, urban university.

Q: DO I HAVE TO TAKE UNIVERSITY STUDIES?

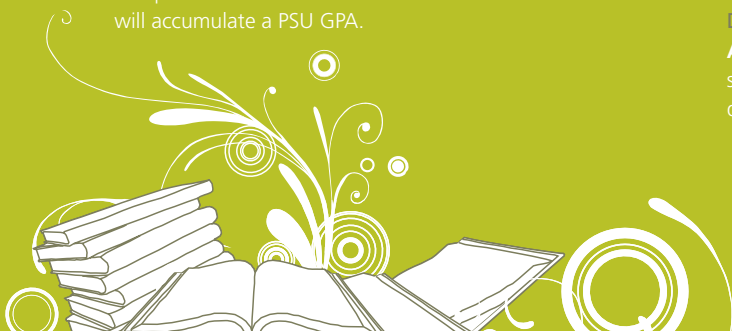
A: Yes. Unless you are participating in the University Honors Program, you're required to participate in the University Studies Program in order to complete your general education requirements.

Q: CAN I TRANSFER MILITARY CREDIT?

A: Yes. Contact PSU's Veterans Certification Office at 503-725-3411 for information on what documents are needed to evaluate military records for possible college-level equivalency.

Q: DO COMMUNITY COLLEGES AND THE UNIVERSITY GENERALLY HAVE THE SAME POLICIES AND DEADLINES?

A: No. Each institution has its own policies and it is the student's responsibility to be aware of them. Policies and deadlines are listed in the *PSU Bulletin*.



Majors, Minors, and Certificates

www.pdx.edu/programs

* Available as a Major or Minor

College of Liberal Arts & Sciences

Anthropology*
Applied Linguistics*
Arts & Letters
Arts Studies (Interdisciplinary Major)
Biology*
Biology: Botany*
Biology: Micro/Molecular*
Biology: Organismal*
Biotechnology (Certificate)
Black Studies
Chemistry*
Chemistry: Biochemistry*
Chicano/Latino Studies (Certificate)
Classical Studies (Minor)
Communication Studies*
Computer Applications (Minor only, for Geology)
Economics*
Elementary Education (Minor)
English*
Environmental Geology (Minor)
Environmental Sciences*
Environmental Studies*
Film Studies (Minor)
World Languages & Literatures
 Arabic (Minor)
 Chinese*
 French*
 German*
 Italian (Minor)
 Japanese*
 Russian*
 Spanish*
 Teaching English as a Second Language (Certificate)
 Teaching Japanese as a Foreign Language (Certificate)
 Turkish (Minor)
Geography*
 Earth Science
Geology*
History*
International Economics (Minor)
International Studies*
 African Studies
 Canadian Studies (Certificate)
 Contemporary Turkish Studies (Certificate)
 East Asian Studies
 European Studies
 European Studies (Certificate)
 Hispanic/Latin American Studies
 International Development
 Latin American Studies (Certificate)
 Middle East Studies
 Middle East Studies (Certificate)
Liberal Studies
Mathematics*
Native American Studies (Minor)
Philosophy*
Physics*
Political Economy (Minor)
Professional Writing (Minor)
Psychology*
Religious Studies (Minor)
Science
 Secondary Education (Minor)
Sexuality, Gender and Queer Studies (Minor)
Social Science
Sociology*
Space and Planetary Science (Minor)
Special Education (Minor)
Speech and Hearing Science

Sustainability (Minor)
Women's Studies* (Post-Bac Certificate)

School of Business Administration

Business Administration
 Accounting
 Accounting (Post-Bac Certificate)
 Advertising Management*
 Finance
 Food Industry Management (Certificate)
 General Business Administration*
 Human Resource Management
 International Business Studies (Certificate)
 Management and Leadership
 Marketing
 Real Estate Finance
 Supply and Logistics Management

Maseeh College of Engineering & Computer Science

Biomedical Informatics
Civil Engineering
Computer Engineering
Computer Science*
Electrical Engineering*
Environmental Engineering
Mechanical Engineering

School of Fine & Performing Arts

Architecture*
 Architectural Project Management
Art
 Art History
 Art Practices
 Creative Industries Studies (Minor)
 Graphic Design*
 Studio
Dance (Minor)
Design Management (Minor)
Film
Film Studies (Minor)
Jazz Studies (Minor)
Music (BA/BS)*
Music: Composition (BM)*
Music: Education (BM)*
Music: Voice (BM)*
Music: Jazz (BM)*
Music History (Minor)
Music Performance (BM)
Theater Arts*
Time Arts (Minor)
Visual Art (BFA)

School of Social Work

Child and Family Studies
Social Work

College of Urban & Public Affairs

Aging Services (Minor)
Civic Leadership (Minor)
Community Development*
Criminology and Criminal Justice*
Health Studies
 Community Health Education*
 Health Sciences
 Physical Activity/Exercise
 School Health Education
Law and Legal Studies (Minor)
Political Science*
Real Estate Development (Minor)
Sustainable Urban Development (Minor)

Pre-Professional Programs

Pre-professional programs are selected in addition to the major and provide preparation for professional schools.

Chiropractic
Clinical Laboratory Science
Dental Hygiene
Dentistry
Law
Medicine
Naturopathic Medicine
Nursing
Occupational Therapy
Optometry
Pharmacy
Physical Therapy
Physician Assistant
Radiation Therapy
Teacher Education
Veterinary Medicine



Academic and Student Recreation Center	F8	Harder House	C4	Parking 3	D1	Urban Center	D8
Art Building	I9	Harrison Street Building (HSB)	F3	Peter W Stott Center	H4	West Heating Plant	H3
The Broadway	I7	Development Center	C1	Peter W Stott Community Field	G3	UNIVERSITY HOUSING	
Business Administration	F7	Hoffmann Hall	F2	Research Greenhouses	I4	Blackstone	F4
Campus Public Safety	H6	Honors Building, University	D2	Science and Education Center	J9	The Broadway	I7
Clay Building	A7	Koinonia House	E7	Science Building 1	D3	Joseph C Blumel Hall	D2
Cramer Hall	E6	Lincoln Hall	C6	Science Building 2	E3	College Station	I8
East Hall	H7	Market Center Building	C10	Shattuck Hall	H6	King Albert	E2
Education, Graduate School of	F7	Market Square Building	B8	Simon Benson House	E4	Montgomery Court	E4
Engineering Building (EB)	H-10	Millar Library, Branford P.	G4	Smith Memorial Student Union	F6	Ondine	H8
Engineering & Computer Science Annex	H-8	Native American Student and Community Center	J6	Unitus Building	J9	Parkway	C4
Extended Studies	D4	Neuberger Hall	G6	University Center Building	G8	St Helens	E2
Fifth Avenue Cinema	H8	Parking 1	G7	University Place	J10	Stephen Epler Hall	F2
Fourth Avenue Building	G10	Parking 2	D7	University Services (USB)	E7	Stratford	C3



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