



Transfer Guidelines 2023

www.du.edu/admission-aid/transfer_guidelines

APPLICATION INFORMATION FOR TRANSFER STUDENTS

Admission Standards

Consideration for admission includes a competitive GPA (generally, a **3.3 or higher** in coursework that demonstrates a commitment to academic success), trends in grades, circumstances that may have influenced your academic performance in college, and other information included in your application

Transfer Application Requirements

Submit a Completed Transfer Application on [Common App](#)

Application includes:

- open-topic 250–500-word essay
 - share context to what we see on your transcripts and/or what is important to you to have us know before we make an admission decision
- \$65 non-refundable application fee
 - Fee waivers may be considered on a case-by-case basis for demonstrated financial hardship.
 - [TRiO](#) students can have their advisor email us for a fee waiver.
 - Active Duty and Military Veteran applicants will have their app fee waived automatically.
 - Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society members qualify for fee waivers with proof of membership.

Submit **official** transcripts from **ALL** college-level study attempted at all previous and current institutions, including *concurrent credit earned in high school*

If **all** your college transcripts combined show that you completed less than 30 graded semester credits (45 quarter credits), you **must** also submit:

- **official high school transcript that shows your graduation date**
- official ACT/SAT scores are optional – learn more at du.edu/test-optional

Major-Specific Requirements

Business: Submit a professional resume – upload to Common App or email to admission@du.edu

Music: Complete an audition – see liberalarts.du.edu/lamont/admission-aid for audition requirements

Optional

- Teacher, professor, advisor, and/or employer recommendations can be emailed to admission@du.edu.
- Professional resumes – upload to Common App or email to admission@du.edu.

Available Terms and Deadlines

The University of Denver operates on a **quarter system**. The [academic year](#) consists of three 10-week quarters and an optional summer quarter. Transfer applications are considered on a **rolling, space-available basis**. All materials need to be received by the dates below; however, we strongly recommend submitting materials well before the deadline. Decisions are released within 3 weeks of receipt and processing of all required materials.

Fall Quarter	Winter Quarter	Spring Quarter	Summer Quarter
<i>Starts mid-September</i> Priority Deadline: April 1 Regular Deadline: June 1	<i>Starts early January</i> Regular Deadline: Oct. 15 <i>Limited Space</i>	<i>Starts late March</i> Not recommended as a start term	<i>Multiple sessions starting mid-June and July</i> Regular Deadline: May 1

Undergraduate Admission

2197 S. University Blvd.
Denver, CO 80208-9401
303-871-2036
admission@du.edu
du.edu/admission-aid/undergraduate

International Student Admission

2197 S. University Blvd.
Denver, CO 80208-9401
303-871-2790
intladm@du.edu
du.edu/admission/international

FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION FOR TRANSFER STUDENTS

Academic Merit Scholarships: \$8,000–\$22,000

- If admissible, your application materials will also determine your eligibility for an academic merit scholarship.
- Academic performance at your previous institution(s) weighs heavily in awarding scholarships; this includes GPA, trend in grades, and difficulty of coursework.
- College GPA of **3.3 or higher** is considered competitive for the above merit scholarships
- These awards are automatically renewable if the student continues full-time (between 12–18 credit hours) and remains in good academic standing (2.0 GPA or better)

Phi Theta Kappa Scholarship: \$2,500

- Available to **transfer students** who are members of Phi Theta Kappa (PTK)
 - *submit proof of membership to Undergraduate Admission, either through a notation on the transcript, photo of membership certificate or confirmation from the PTK chapter advisor*
- This award is separate, and in addition to academic merit scholarships.
- This award is automatically renewable if a student continues full-time (between 12–18 credit hours) and remains in good academic standing (2.0 GPA or better)

Talent-Based Scholarships

Talent-based awards are awarded in **early spring** and vary in amount. Apply early for best consideration.

- **Art:** Portfolio reviewed after admission to DU – email Jason.Kellermeier@du.edu for information or visit liberalarts.du.edu/art
- **Music:** Audition required – information found online at liberalarts.du.edu/lamont/admission-aid
 - *Music students are considered for a comprehensive scholarship that will take talent, academics, and financial need into consideration in lieu of the above Academic Merit Scholarships*
- **Theatre:** Audition/portfolio submission information found online at du.edu/ahss/theatre/admission

Need-Based Financial Aid

<https://www.du.edu/admission-aid/financial-aid> - 303-871-4020 - finaid@du.edu

Need-based financial aid is determined after a student has been admitted and has submitted the required documents. For quickest turnaround of need-based aid information, we recommend submitting the following documents early in the application process.

- **Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)** – Determines eligibility for federal funding such as loans, Pell Grant, & work-study
 - studentaid.gov – DU School Code is 001371
- **CSS Profile** – Determines eligibility for institutional funding such as the **DU Educational Grant** and other need-based scholarships
 - cssprofile.collegeboard.org – DU School Code is 4842

SCHOLARSHIP SEARCH:

Utilize private scholarship searches to find additional funding opportunities that may supplement your financial aid.

VISIT, HOUSING, STUDENT LIFE & MILITARY INFORMATION

Visit DU

du.edu/visits - 303-871-7711 - admission@du.edu

Find out what makes DU an extraordinary place - we are currently offering both in-person and virtual visit options, including 1-on-1 appointments.

Housing

studentaffairs.du.edu/housing - 303-871-2246 - housing@du.edu

There is a [two-year live-on requirement](#) unless you meet conditions for release from the live-on requirement

- [Transfer Housing Options](#) in various residential halls on campus
- [Recovery Housing](#) is a community intended specifically for all students who are pursuing recovery from substance use and are dedicated to a supportive recovery lifestyle.
- [Off-Campus Housing help](#) for those age 21+ who would like assistance in finding a place near campus

Student Life

studentaffairs.du.edu/stay-involved - 303-871-3111

You will find a great variety of programs on campus that will help you get the most out of your DU experience personally, academically, and professionally. Below, you will find a sampling of these programs and resources.

Student Activities and Organizations:

- [Club Sports, Intramural Sports, Fitness & Wellness](#)
- [Collegiate Recovery Community \(CRC\)](#)
- [DU Cultural Center](#)
- [Pride Portal](#)
- [Study Abroad](#)

Student Support Offices & Resources

- [Disability Services Program \(DSP\)](#); physical and/or learning accommodations
- [Learning Effectiveness Program \(LEP\)](#): individualized support for learning differences
- [Student Success Coaching](#)
- [Career & Professional Development](#)
- [DU Help](#)

Military Education Benefits, Resources, and Credit

There are a variety of financial benefits and student services available to military, veterans, and their dependents, including **Yellow Ribbon funding**. You will need to apply for your VA education benefits online [here](https://benefits.va.gov/gibill/apply.asp) and through the VA at benefits.va.gov/gibill/apply.asp.

For admission purposes, submit military transcripts.

- Military transcripts are certified documents that can help us understand your military training and qualifications. You may request to have a [Joint Services Transcript \(JST\)](#) sent electronically.
- Air Force personnel do not have a JST, so you must request transcripts from the Community College of the Air Force (CCAF) to show military training. Use the [transcript order form](#) to have an official copy mailed.
- All military students will receive 3 PE credits for completing Basic Training. Other Military coursework/training that is listed on an official Joint Services transcript or Air Force Community College transcript may be approved for transfer credit by the most closely related department at the University of Denver.

Military Education Benefits

303-871-4878
VACertify@du.edu

Veterans & Military Resources

303-871-2074
veterans@du.edu

TRANSFER CREDIT OVERVIEW

Transferability of Courses/Credits

- College-level courses
- Similar content to what is offered at the University of Denver
- A grade of C- (1.7) or better must be earned.
 - Pass/Fail courses can transfer *if* a pass is equivalent to a C- (1.7) or better.
- Grades do not transfer – only credit
- Official CLEP and DSST exam scores may be reviewed for credit
- **Official transcripts must be submitted from each institution.**

Access information about majors, minors, and life at DU: customviewbook.du.edu

Access major/minor requirements, and course descriptions: bulletin.du.edu

How Credit is Applied

- **Official credit evaluations are sent to students within 2 weeks of admission**
- Courses may transfer in as [Common Curriculum](#), major/minor requirements, or electives
 - Common Curriculum requirements are part of our liberal arts philosophy, offered across many disciplines, and are required across all majors (see next page for suggested courses).
- 50% of major and minor requirements must be completed at DU
- The last year (45 credits) must be completed at DU (or partner study abroad program) to earn a degree at DU

Type of Credit	Maximum Transferable Credit
Advanced Placement (AP)	45 quarter credits
International Baccalaureate (IB)	45 quarter credits
Community College/Junior College (2-yr)	96 quarter credits (64 semester credits)
Any combination of AP/IB/2-Yr/4-Yr/Military	135 quarter credits (90 semester credits)

Academic Standing

First-Year: 0-44 credits
Sophomore: 45-89 credits
Junior: 90-134 credits
Seniors: 135+ credits

The University of Denver uses quarter hours/credits

When the original college or university is not on the quarter system, the transfer credits will be converted to quarter hours

1 semester credit = 1.5 quarter credits

Full time status at DU is between 12-18 quarter credits/hours

Most courses are 4 hours; a typical course load is 3-4 courses per quarter

Courses Approved for Transfer

go.du.edu/transfers allows you to search for transferable courses from other institutions as well as Advanced Placement (AP) and International Baccalaureate (IB) exam score conversions.

- The **Colorado Community College System** is the most complete in terms of transferable course listings.
- If you do not see a course for your specific school, please check for a similar title under the Colorado Community College System.
- The absence of a particular course or institution does not necessarily mean that the course is not transferable. – this is not a complete list of transferable courses
- Courses and institutions will continue to be added, as DU equivalents are determined
- Course equivalents are determined by available course descriptions
 - **Keep your syllabi** as you may submit them to determine more specific placement of courses

A more detailed listing of transfer credit policies is available online:
du.edu/registrar/other-student-services/transfer-study-abroad-credits

COMMON CURRICULUM REQUIREMENTS

Course codes listed are for Colorado Community College System

Other courses may be considered based on similarity to DU Common Curriculum as of Fall 2022.

Courses that will fulfill the Common Curriculum are subject to change without notice.

First-Year Seminar (FSEM)	DU requires 1 course to satisfy this requirement. Waived for transfer students	
Writing & Rhetoric (WRIT)	DU requires one year of Writing ENG 121/1021 & 122/1022 English Composition I & II	
Language	DU requires 1 year or proficiency for most majors Any foreign language numbered 111/1011, 112/1012 (Intro level) or 211/2011, or 212/2012 (Intermediate level)	
Ways of Knowing: Analytical Inquiry	<p>Analytical Inquiry: The Natural and Physical World <i>(Computer Science & Mathematics)</i> DU requires 1 course</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CSC 119/1019 Intro to Programming • CSC 160/1060 Computer Science I • CSC 200/2000 Game Programming I • CSC 233/2033 Object-Oriented Programming in C++ • CSC 234/2034 C++ Programming • CSC 240/2040 Java Programming • MAT 120/1240 Mathematics for Liberal Arts • MAT 123/1320 Finite Mathematics • MAT 125/1400 Survey of Calculus • MAT 201/2410 Calculus I • PHI 113/1013 Logic • PHI 213/2013 Symbolic Logic <p><i>*College Algebra, Pre-Calculus, and Statistics will not count towards the AI-Natural requirement, but will transfer as departmental credit</i></p>	<p>Analytical Inquiry: Society and Culture <i>(Arts & Humanities)</i> DU requires 2 courses from two <u>different</u> arts and humanities disciplines</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ART 110/1110 Art Appreciation • HIS 101/1310 Western Civilization I • HIS 111/1110 The World: Antiquity-1500 • HIS 112/1120 The World: 1500-Present • HIS 121/1210 or 122/1220 U.S. History I, II • HUM 103/1003 Intro to Film Art • HUM 115/1015 World Mythology • LIT 115/1015 Intro to Literature I • LIT 201/2001 or 202/2002 World Literature I, II • MUS 120/1020 Music Appreciation • MUS 123/1023 Survey of World Music • PHI 111/1011 Intro to Philosophy • PHI 112/1012 Ethics • THE 105/1005 Theatre Appreciation • THE 111/1011 Acting I
Ways of Knowing: Scientific Inquiry	<p>Scientific Inquiry: The Natural and Physical World <i>(Lab Sciences)</i> DU requires 12 quarter credits <u>all courses must have a lab</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AST 101/1110 Planetary Astronomy I • AST 102/1120 Stellar Astronomy II • BIO 104/1004 Biology: A Human Approach • BIO 105/1005 Science of Biology • BIO 111/1111, 112/1112 General College Biology I, II • CHE 101/1011, 102/1012 Intro to Chemistry I, II • CHE 111/1111, 112/1112 General Chemistry I, II • GEO 111/1011 Physical Geography Landforms • GEO 112/1012 Physical Geography Weather • GEY 111/1111 Physical Geology • GEY 112/1112 Historical Geology • GEY 216/1155 General Oceanography • PHY 105/1105 Conceptual Physics • PHY 111/1111, 112/1112 Physics: Algebra-based I, II • PHY 211/2111, 212/2112 Physics: Calculus-based I, II 	<p>Scientific Inquiry: Society and Culture <i>(Social Science)</i> DU requires 2 courses from two <u>different</u> social science disciplines</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CRJ 230/2030 Criminology • ECO 201/2001 Principles of Macroeconomics • GEO 105/1005 World Regional Geography • GEO 106/1006 Human Geography • JOU 105/1005 Intro to Mass Media • POS 105/2020 Intro to Political Science • POS 111/1011 American Government • POS 125/1025 American State & Local Gov't • POS 205/2005 International Relations • PSY 101/1001 General Psychology I • SOC 101/1001 Introduction to Sociology I • WST 200/2000 Intro to Women's Studies <p><i>*Intro to Criminal Justice and Microeconomics will not count towards SI-Society requirement, but will come in as elective credit</i></p>
Advanced Seminar (ASEM)	DU requires 1 course to satisfy this requirement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be taken at DU 	