

Understanding Transfer Credits for Transfer Students

How do I get credit for previous college coursework?

To ensure the selection of appropriate courses in your first semester, reduce the chances of repeating a course for which you will have transfer credit, and maintain proper financial aid eligibility, **have your final transcripts from your previous college(s) sent as soon as possible (prior to the first day of classes) and understand SUNY New Paltz's <u>policies for transfer credits</u>.**

To have official transcripts and scores sent, contact the institution that granted the credits:

- For credits from your previous college(s), confirm that final grades have been noted on your official transcripts before they are submitted to New Paltz.
- For college courses taken in high school, contact the institution that granted the credits. For Advanced Placement (AP) courses, scores of 3, 4, or 5 are accepted for college credit and for International Baccalaureate courses, scores of 5 or higher are accepted for college credit.

Request that official transcripts and scores be sent to:

Office of Undergraduate Admission State University of New York at New Paltz 100 Hawk Drive New Paltz, New York 12561-2499

How will my college credits be applied at New Paltz?

Once your transcripts are received and processed by our Office of Admission, the transfer credit will be noted on your progress report. Transferred credits are indicated on the report with the letter "**T**" before the grade. In-Progress courses are indicated by "**TIP**" and are not final until the Office of Admission receives official and final transcripts. Transfer course grades *do not* factor into your New Paltz GPA.

Your transfer credits may count as electives (which can fulfill <u>degree requirements</u> such as 120 credits to graduate, liberal arts credits, or upper division credits), or they may fulfill a <u>General Education</u> requirement or a major or minor requirement.



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Articulated courses transfer in as direct matches with New Paltz courses.

Non-articulated courses are accepted as elective credits and do not have a specific New Paltz course number. These credits can be reviewed for major or General Education credit. Ask your advisor about how to have a non-articulated course reviewed.

Your advisor can help you understand how your transfer credits fit into your overall plan of study. These questions can be addressed in initial and/or subsequent meetings during your time at New Paltz.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

- See the <u>College Course Equivalencies</u> database to learn how specific courses transfer from other colleges to New Paltz.
- Please read the detailed explanation of the college's <u>policy for transfer</u> <u>credits</u> from the Undergraduate Catalog.