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Transfer Students

- Have you completed at least a full year in college, attending full time **and**
- Have you graduated from high school or have a GED?

If you answered "yes" to both parts of this question, you are a transfer applicant. A transfer applicant also has at least 40 transferable credits. If you answered "no" to either section of this question, you are a [freshman applicant](#).

How many credits will transfer from your Washington Community/Technical College degree?

All of the following degrees will transfer as a block of **90 quarter hour credits** and your application for admission will receive top priority:

- [Direct Transfer Agreements](#)
- [Associate in Science-Transfer](#)
- [Associate in Technical Arts](#)—Evergreen approved degrees in: Accounting, Administration of Justice, Business, Computer Information Services, Early Childhood Education, Human Resources and Paralegal
- [Upside Down](#)—Evergreen approved Associate in Technical Arts degrees. These degrees will count as a block of 90 hour credits upon successful completion of 32 Evergreen credits in a coordinated studies program.

Have you taken a variety of college courses at another college? Or—did you attend more than one college?

Your official transcript(s) will be evaluated for transfer credits on a course-by-course basis. Our transfer credit evaluation may award you a maximum of 90 quarter hour credits of lower division work. And, if you completed upper division courses, you may also transfer 45 quarter hour credits. The maximum transfer credit awarded cannot exceed 135 credits. Please also review our [Transfer Credit Policy](#).

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Send admissions materials to:

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 Office of Admissions
 2700 Evergreen Pkwy NW
 Olympia, WA 98505

Hours:

Mon-Fri 8 am to 5 pm

(360) 867-6170

Email: [Admissions](#)

Quick Reference

- [Transfer Degrees and Guides for Washington Community Colleges](#) can help you estimate the number of credits you may transfer.
- Transfer credit information earned through AP exams, CLEP, International Baccalaureate, Running Start and Military Training can be found on the [Transfer Credit Policy](#) Web page.
- You may also wish to review [Special Circumstances](#) for deferring your admission, obtaining an application fee waiver, retention of records, late applications and other answers.

FAQ – Answers to these questions appear on this page:

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[An afterword from Admissions](#)**What are the admissions criteria for transfer students?**

Transfer students will be considered for admission to Evergreen based on:

1. Grade Point Average (minimum of 2.0 cumulative for all college-level work);
2. Good standing at the last institution attended; and
3. Satisfactory completion of a variety of courses in the liberal arts and sciences. Your course work should include classes in the arts, humanities, natural sciences

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What is the most important factor in the admissions process?

The most important factor is your academic achievement, demonstrated by the nature and distribution of your academic coursework. Your coursework should include classes in the arts, humanities, natural sciences and social sciences. Admission preference is given to applicants who have a Direct Transfer Associate degree, an Associate of Science Transfer degree, or an approved Upside Down degree from a Washington community college. [Transfer Degrees and Guides for Washington Community Colleges](#) includes PDFs for each college. Find your college and select "Degree."

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Is diversity a factor in the admissions process?

Evergreen seeks a diverse student body. Special recognition will be given to applicants who are Vietnam-era veterans, adults 25 or older, and students whose parents have not graduated from college. Determination of diversity factors is based on information provided on the [undergraduate application](#).

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This is my first year as a college student and I plan to transfer as a sophomore. How will this affect my admission?

Applications from transfer students with fewer than 40 transfer credits will be reviewed based upon your high school coursework and grade point average, test scores from either the SAT or ACT tests and the college coursework completed by the time you apply. If you did not graduate from high school, please submit a set of [GED test scores](#). You are required to complete the same [coursework](#) outlined for freshmen.

Are you 25 years of age or older? You may submit a personal résumé and [personal statement \(PDF\)](#) in lieu of SAT or ACT test scores. Your résumé may include work and volunteer experiences.

A Credentials Evaluator from Admissions will contact you regarding any additional documents that will be needed. Please review the admissions [criteria for freshman applicants](#).

[top](#)**How do I convert my semester hour credits into quarter hour credits?**

Evergreen uses quarter hours, so we will convert semester hours into quarter hours. For example, if you have earned 24 semester hour credits: multiply 24 by a factor of 1.5 and it will equal 36 quarter hour credits.

[top](#)**I attended several colleges. How will you calculate my cumulative GPA?**

We will calculate your cumulative GPA by reviewing all the college-level courses you attempted—including courses you received a failing grade, no credit or incomplete. We multiply the credit by the grade you received for that course. This yields your "grade points." Then, we divide the total grade points by the total number of credits you attempted. This will result in your cumulative "grade point average."

For example:

Course Title	Grade	Credit	Grade Points
Math 101	B (or 3.0)	5 x 3.0 =	15
Music 105	B+ (or 3.32)	5 x 3.32 =	16.6
Spanish 103	D (or 1.0)	5 x 1.0 =	5
			15 credits
			36.6 ÷ 15 credits = 2.44 cumulative GPA

[Note: The grade for the Spanish class is counted only when we calculate the cumulative GPA. The credits for the course will not transfer because they are completed below the minimum of a 2.0-grade.]

[top](#)**What paperwork do I need to submit to be considered for admission?**

1. Complete the online application or paper application. The nonrefundable application fee is \$50 (US). You'll find additional information about the

application process on the [Apply Now!](#) Web page.

2. Request official transcripts from every college/university you've attended and have them sent to Evergreen.

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Is a personal statement required?

You are invited to submit additional materials you believe will strengthen your application. Your optional [personal statement \(PDF\)](#) might describe your academic interests, goals and why you believe Evergreen is the right college for you. You might also consider submitting letters of recommendation and essays. Submissions should be limited to one page and clearly address your academic history and preparation for rigorous study.

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Is an interview required?

An interview with an Admissions Counselor is not required. However, many prospective students [visit Evergreen](#) and speak with an Admissions Counselor. This visit is not considered an interview, but may help you decide if Evergreen is the right college for you.

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What happens after Evergreen receives my application?

The Office of Admissions creates a file when your application is received. Your transcripts are also placed in this file. You could receive a letter from a Credentials Evaluator requesting additional information. When all the required documents have been received, your file is complete and ready to be considered for admission. This could take as few as 10 working days or it could take several weeks. For example, if you attended more than one college/university, it may take as long as six weeks for all transcripts to be received. Your application file will not be complete until all transcripts are in your file. More information about the admission process can be found on the [Apply Now!](#) Web page.

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Help me get organized!

Maybe one of these checklists will help you get organized:

[Fall Quarter Checklist \(PDF\)](#)

[Winter Quarter Checklist \(PDF\)](#)

[Spring Quarter Checklist \(PDF\)](#)

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I have more questions. How do I contact Evergreen for answers?

We're just a mouse click away. Send us an [email](#), call or write us with your questions. The address below is also where you should send your official transcripts and test scores.

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An afterword from Admissions

Evergreen may not be able to offer admission to all qualified applicants if the number of applicants exceeds the number of enrollment spaces available in the entering class.

The college reserves the right to deny the applicant admission if his or her enrollment could present a physical danger to the campus community.

Once the college notifies you of your eligibility, you will be asked to send a nonrefundable tuition deposit of \$50 (US) by a stated deadline to assure your place at the college for the quarter of admission. This deposit is an admissions processing fee that will be credited toward the first quarter's tuition. Admission and deposit do not guarantee your enrollment in a particular program or course.

There's more information on the Web about:

- [Applying for Admission](#)
- [Community College Degrees and Transfer Guides](#)
- [Financial Aid](#)
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