

Information for Students Transferring to 4-year Institutions

The **Associate of Arts** and **Associate of Science** degrees are primarily for the student who plans to transfer from WNC to a four-year college or university to pursue a baccalaureate degree in liberal arts, sciences, humanities, math or related areas. For students who plan to transfer to a baccalaureate program at any Nevada System of Higher Education (NSHE) institution (UNR, UNLV, NSC or selected programs at Great Basin College), completion of the Associate of Arts or Associate of Science degree will automatically fulfill the lower-division general education requirements for a baccalaureate degree (program or major requirements may not be fulfilled). All WNC students who plan to transfer to UNR, UNLV or NSC are strongly encouraged to obtain an Associate of Arts or an Associate of Science degree prior to transfer.

Community college students who plan to transfer to UNR , UNLV or NSC and who did not complete the university entrance requirements in high school must complete a minimum of 24 transferable semester credits with a minimum 2.3 grade point average. Effective fall 2010, the minimum grade point average will increase to 2.5. Students who earn an Associate of Arts or Associate of Science degree from WNC will be admitted into a NSHE university or state college regardless of their grade point average.

All students planning to transfer to a four-year college or university are encouraged to meet with a [WNC counselor](#) as soon as possible to ensure their understanding of current transfer guidelines and to carefully design a transfer program that will best meet their needs. Students are encouraged to select the institution and program into which they expect to transfer as early as possible.

Checklist for transferring:

- 1) **Meet with a WNC counselor** on a regular basis to ensure you are selecting the appropriate courses for your transfer program. A counselor can assist you with a transfer agreement (if applicable), GPA requirements, etc.
- 2) **Apply for graduation for a WNC degree.** Discuss with your counselor which WNC associate degree will best meet your needs and allow you to fulfill your program requirements for transfer. Submit a WNC application for graduation and pay your fees by the deadline.
- 3) **Send an official copy of your transcripts.** Request a copy of your transcript from WNC Admissions and Records, and from any other college you previously attended to send to the transfer institution. You will need to submit a WNC transcript when you first apply to the transfer institution, and then again after you complete your last WNC course and final grades have been posted.
- 4) **Submit an admissions application** and pay all fees to the intended transfer school by their deadline. Be aware of important dates and residency requirements. Start early! Many colleges and universities set priority application deadlines as early as Oct. 1 for admission the following fall semester.
- 5) **Financial Aid.** Apply for financial aid and scholarships. If you currently have financial aid, be sure to let your lender know that you will be transferring to another institution after graduation so that repayment will not begin.
- 6) **Housing.** If appropriate, contact residential housing.
- 7) **Academic Advising.** Meet with an advisor at the intended transfer institution.
- 8) **Explore Campus Resources.** Find valuable campus resources such as the Transfer Center, computer labs, writing centers, tutoring, and student organizations.

Reverse Transfers

All WNC students who plan to transfer to a four-year college or university are strongly encouraged to obtain an Associate of Arts or an Associate of Science degree prior to transfer. However, students who transfer before completing a WNC associate degree are encouraged to complete the courses needed to fulfill the requirements remaining for their associate degree at the university or college after transferring. Students may then request to have a transcript sent to WNC that shows completion of those requirements and apply for graduation at WNC degree at that time. Contact Admissions and Records for further information.

Transfer agreements for the University of Nevada, Reno are available on their website: [UNR--Transfer Agreements](#).

Students who transfer to a Nevada Institution of Higher Education and experience any difficulties with transfer are encouraged to contact a WNC counselor. The main point of contact for transfer questions with Nevada institutions is Deborah Case, Director of Counseling, 775-445-3267.

How WNC Courses Transfer

- **Courses with numbers 100 to 299** (such as ENG 101) are college level courses which are designed to transfer within the Nevada System of Higher Education, and often to other colleges and universities, including UNR, UNLV, and Nevada State College as either an equivalent, a departmental elective or a general elective.
- **Courses with a "B" designator** after the number (such as MATH 100B) are college level courses which may apply toward a WNC degree but which may not transfer to UNR or UNLV. In some cases, these courses may transfer to other Nevada community colleges and NSC or to out-of-state college and universities. See a WNC counselor for the latest transfer information.
- **Courses with a "C" designator** after the number (such as CS 109C) are community education courses which do not apply toward college degrees.
- **Courses with an "L" designator** after the number (such as PHYS 151L) are college level laboratory courses which are designed to transfer.
- **Courses with numbers below 100** (such as ENG 095) are developmental courses which do not apply toward a WNC degree and normally do not transfer to a university.

Transfer Programs

WNC students may select a course of study which enables them to complete some or all of the lower division requirements for a four-year degree in the following emphases at UNR, UNLV, NSC or other schools. These include but are not limited to:

Accounting - Agriculture - Animal Science - Anatomy - Anthropology - Architecture - Art - Astronomy - Atmospheric Sciences - Biochemistry - Biology - Business - Chemistry - Chemical Engineering - Civil Engineering - Communication Arts - Communicative Disorders - Computer Engineering - Computer Science - Criminal Justice - Dance - Dental

Hygiene - Drama - Early Childhood Education - Economics - Education - English - Ethnic Studies - Environmental Science - Finance - Fish/Wildlife Management - Foreign Languages - General Studies - Geography - Geology - Geological Engineering - History - Hotel Administration - Humanities - Industrial Arts - Industrial Education - Information Systems - Journalism - Liberal Arts - Literature - Management - Marketing - Mathematics - Mechanical Engineering - Metallurgical Engineering - Meteorology - Mining Engineering - Motion Picture and Cinema - Music - Natural Resources - Nursing - Occupational Therapy - Oceanography - Philosophy - Physician Assistant - Physical Education - Physiology - Physics - Political Science - Pre-Dentistry - Pre-Law - Pre-Librarianship - Pre-Medicine - Pre-Optometry - Pre-Pharmacy - Pre-Physical Therapy - Pre-Veterinary Medicine - Psychology - Public Administration - Public Relations - Radiologic Technology - Recreation - Religious Studies - Social Science - Social Welfare - Social Work - Sociology - Special Education - Speech Communication - Theatre Arts - Urban Planning - Vocational Education - Zoology