

TRANSFER CREDITS

Through Valencia College's transfer credit evaluation procedures, you will receive credit for under coursework taken at regionally accredited colleges and universities throughout the U.S. Transfer credit may apply toward program requirements and it may apply as elective credits.

Valencia awards semester credits, and quarter credits are converted to semester credits; one quarter credit equals two-thirds of a semester credit.

Transfer coursework must be on a level normally included within the first two years of college. To receive credit, a grade of D or better must have been earned except in developmental courses, English for Academic Purposes courses, and Gordon Rule courses which require a grade of C or better. In addition, a minimum grade of C is required in certain courses for graduation in some programs.

Valencia College may award credit for your coursework taken at foreign educational institutions upon receipt of an official evaluation for educational purposes from an agency affiliated with the National Association of Credential Evaluation Services (NACES (<http://www.naces.org/>)).

If you have transfer coursework that is evaluated as "not equivalent to a Valencia College course," you may appeal for reconsideration of equivalency through Valencia College's Non-Equivalent Coursework Flow procedure. To appeal course work taken at a regionally accredited institution, complete the Non-Equivalent Course Work Form which is available in Student Forms in your Atlas account. Valencia College recommends consulting your academic advisor prior to submitting the Non-Equivalent Coursework Form in the event a course substitution is available.

Coursework taken at non-regionally accredited institutions generally is not accepted at Valencia College; however, you may appeal the acceptance of such credit through Valencia College's Award of Credit procedures. To do so, obtain the Request Form for Substitution of Credit from Non-Regionally Accredited Institutions, which is available in Atlas under the Students tab.

It is your responsibility to submit the completed appeal information with documentation. The evaluation appeal will be reviewed by a committee of Academic Deans and their decision is final.

Regardless of the number of credits transferred to Valencia, you must complete at Valencia at least 25% of the college-level credits required for the Valencia College degree.

If, after the evaluation of your transfer course work, your initial placement in English, mathematics and/or reading courses cannot be determined, you may be required to complete entry testing in one or more disciplines to determine your course placement(s). Students entering a Bachelor's degree program will have all credits applied to the associate's degree transferred to their Bachelor's degree.