

**NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY**  
**Transfer Planning Guide - General Education Requirements**  
 To be used in tandem with the NIU general transfer guide

Students who transfer with an associate degree in a college parallel program (A.A., A.S. Degrees) will be granted admission to NIU, junior standing and will have fulfilled general education requirements. General Education requirements will be considered fulfilled upon receipt of an official transcript from CLC showing completion of the A.A. or A.S. degree. NIU will accept completed transfer work with a grade of D. Be advised that a grade of C or better is necessary to meet the requirements for many foundational studies courses, prerequisite courses, majors, minors and certificates.

Note: Some majors are limited in admission and have additional admission and grade point average requirements. Some specific NIU majors may have additional course requirements. For example, a major may require additional lower-division courses for admission to the student's major, i.e. teacher licensure. Special general education requirements apply to electrical, industrial and mechanical engineering (see NIU Undergraduate Catalog: <http://catalog.niu.edu> ), and an A.A. or A.S. does not automatically meet these requirements.

**If a student is not completing an A.A. or A.S. degree, IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT STUDENTS COMPLETE THE IAI General Education Core Curriculum (GECC).** If transferring before completing an A.A. or A.S degree OR the IAI GECC, it is recommended that a student complete as many of the **Foundational Studies** and the **Knowledge Domain** requirements listed below as possible.

**FOUNDATIONAL STUDIES**

Rhetoric & Composition (6sh):           ENG 121, and (122 or 126)  
 Oral Communication (3sh):            CMM 121  
 Quantitative Literacy (3sh):         MTH: Select one of the following: MTH (121 **and** 221), 123, 127, 141, 142, 144, 145, 146, 222, 224, 244, 246

Must have a "C" or better in both ENG 121 and (122 or 126) to meet the graduation requirement.

Must have a "C" or better to fulfill the Math requirement for graduation.

Note: Students who place into Math 108 or below should take the math courses at CLC as Northern does not offer intermediate algebra courses.

**KNOWLEDGE DOMAINS**

21 HOURS ARE REQUIRED IN KNOWLEDGE DOMAINS.

\*There is a limit of two courses in any one department across all domains.

\*Any single course cannot count towards fulfilling more than one Knowledge Domain requirement.

Individual departments may impose additional restrictions on the courses that their majors may apply to general education requirements. Those restrictions are described in the departmental sections of the *Undergraduate Catalog*: <http://catalog.niu.edu/> (Please check Articulation Handbook: <http://www.niu.edu/admissions/transfer/plan/credits/index.shtml> )

	<u>SEMESTER HRS.</u>	<u>CLC COURSE OPTIONS</u>
CREATIVITY AND CRITICAL ANALYSIS	6-9	ANT 224, ARA 222, ART 121, 122, 124, 127, 221, 240, 241, 260, 261*; DMD 113, 117; DNC 240; EDU 225; ENG 126, 129*, 223, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 243, 244, 246*, 247*, 249, 263, 264; FRN 222, 223, 224; GER 222, 223, 224; HST 121, 122, 126, 127, 128, 141, 142, 221, 222, 223, 240 241, 245, 246 HUM 121, 122, 123, 126, 127, 226*; ITL 222, 223, 224; JPN 222; LAT 121*; MUS 124, 224; PHI 121, 122, 123, 125, 128, 221*; SPA 222, 223, 224; THE 121, 123*

NATURE & TECHNOLOGY	6-9	<b>ANT 222; BIO 120, 123, 127, 128, 140, 141, 143, 149, 161, 162, 221, 222; CHM 120, 121, 123, 140, 142; CIT 120; ESC 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 127, 128, 129, 140, 141, 221, 224; GEG 120, 121; HRT 162; PHY 111, 112, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124</b>
SOCIETY AND CULTURE	6-9	<b>ASI 121*; ANT 121*, 221*, 224, 228*; BUS 119; ECO 221, 222, 225; EDU 224; GEG 122*, 123*, GXS 121, 227; HST 126*, 128*, 223, 240, 241, 245*, 246*; HUM 128, 141, 221*, 222; HWP 240; PSC 121, 122, 221, 222; PSY 121, 220, 222, 225, 226; SOC 121, 222, 225*, 229*</b>
ELECTIVE	3	ELECTIVE FROM ANY KNOWLEDGE DOMAIN: AT LEAST 3 CREDIT HOURS.

\*Courses with this designation satisfy the [Human Diversity requirement](#).