

TRANSFER OF CREDIT
FROM ANOTHER COLLEGE
TO GALVESTON COLLEGE

Credit for courses in which a passing grade (C or better) has been earned may be transferred to Galveston College from a post-secondary institution that is accredited by a U.S. Department of Education recognized accreditor and/or an accreditor recognized by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board. It is the responsibility of each transfer applicant to arrange for an official transcript to be sent to Galveston College from each institution previously attended. A course from a recognized accredited institution will be accepted in lieu of a specific course at Galveston College only if evidence indicates the course is equivalent. Remedial courses are not transferable.

Students whose overall grade point average is less than 2.0 on a 4.0 scale, may only be admitted by the Director of Admissions/Registrar or the appropriate Vice President. Transfer students who are admitted and whose GPA is less than a 2.0 will be placed on academic probation. Failure to achieve a minimum grade point average of 2.0 for the first 12 credit hours taken at Galveston College while on academic probation will result in academic suspension.

Course work completed at colleges and universities outside the United States or at colleges and universities who are not accredited or whose accreditation is not recognized will be considered for transfer on an individual basis. International transcripts must be evaluated by an approved evaluation agency prior to enrollment. (A list of approved evaluation agencies can be obtained from the Office of Admissions.) All foreign credentials submitted to Galveston College must include the original transcript plus a certified English translation. There is no guarantee, even after a transcript has been evaluated, that the credits will be accepted.

ARTICULATION AND
TRANSFER OF WORK
FROM GALVESTON
COLLEGE TO OTHER

The transfer of College credit to another institution of higher education will depend largely upon proper course selection and quality of work done by the student.

COLLEGES AND
UNIVERSITIES

Galveston College is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. Because of this recognition, Galveston College credits are regarded as equivalent to courses of the same description at other colleges and universities. Transfer problems typically occur only when students change their planned educational objectives. Examples of transfer difficulties include those encountered by students who change majors or who change from a two year career education program to an academic transfer program.

Counselors, advisors, and faculty advisors have access to a wide range of information on credit transfer. Students should work with an academic advisor or counselor to design an educational plan consistent with their educational goals. Changes in plans should be discussed with the academic advisor or counselor to avoid potential transfer problems.

In order to assist students transferring to other institutions within the State of Texas, Galveston College has joined with other junior/community colleges and universities in the State of Texas and has adopted a common course numbering system. The purpose of the numbering system is to improve articulation and assist students who are transferring between institutions.

RESOLUTION OF
TRANSFER DISPUTES FOR
LOWER-DIVISION

In accordance with rules and guidelines established by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, if a Texas public institution does not accept a lower-division course credit earned by a student at another Texas public institution, the institution is required to provide a written notice to the student and the sending institution that the transfer of the course credit was denied. The two institutions and the student shall attempt to resolve the transfer of the course credit in accordance with Board rules and regulations. If the transfer dispute is not resolved to the satisfaction of the student or the sending institution within 45 days after the date the student received written notice of denial, the institution whose credit is denied for transfer shall notify the commissioner of the denial.

The Commissioner of Higher Education or the commissioner's designee shall make the final determination about the dispute concerning the transfer of course credit and give written notice of the determination to the involved student and the institutions.