

Planning a Successful College Transfer

Reasons Why Students Transfer

Academic

- To continue education started at a 2-year college.
- To change degree programs.
- To resume a program they paused.

Personal

- To change to a college with features they now prefer (like moving from a large college to a smaller one).
- To attend a college closer to home.

Financial

- To find a college better suited for their financial needs.
- To accommodate a financial change.

You can view transfer guides from each public college on [CFNC.org](https://cfnc.org). You can see what classes they recommend taking at your community college to go towards your interested major.

Use This Transfer Student Checklist

- ☐ Meet with an academic advisor at your current college.
- ☐ With them, review potential transfer agreements and what classes to take to maximize your transfer credits. You may even be eligible for guaranteed admissions.
- ☐ Meet with an academic advisor or transfer admissions counselor at your transfer college.
- ☐ Obtain an unofficial transcript through your current college student portal — this transcript cannot be used for admissions applications, but some transfer colleges can use it to show you what classes and credits can transfer.
- ☐ Submit an application for admission at your transfer college.
- ☐ Check your email and the application portal to make sure you are meeting important deadlines and submitting the correct documents.
- ☐ Request all official transcripts from all colleges you have attended, including your current college, be sent to your transfer college. An official evaluation of your transfer credits will be completed by the college's registrar office.
- ☐ Complete and submit the FAFSA.
- ☐ Contact the financial aid office at your transfer college and ask about transfer scholarships and other aid opportunities you can apply for.
- ☐ Attend a transfer orientation at your new institution.