

Virginia Commonwealth University General Transfer Guide

GENERAL TRANSFER GUIDE (GAA)

Catalog Years: 2025-2027

Arts (visual and performing arts) and Humanities (liberal arts)

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Complete at VCCS				Course and Curricular Information for Virginia Commonwealth University
BACHELOR'S DEGREE REQUIREMENT	SATISFIED BY			Information for students planning to transfer to Virginia Commonwealth University through the GAA, upon completion of the associate degree
Course	Credits	CC Course	Notes	
UNIV 101	1-2	SDV 100 College Success Skills or 101 Orientation		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> VCU provides specific course recommendations as well as academic and career information for all VCU's undergraduate programs through VCU Transfer Maps (https://majormaps.vcu.edu/transfer). Prospective School of the Arts students are NOT guaranteed admission under the terms of this agreement. Students considering a major in the visual or performing art majors at VCU should review the additional application requirements at: https://arts.vcu.edu/admissions/how-to-apply/transfer-applicants/. Prospective School of the Arts students should consult the VCU Transfer Maps (https://majormaps.vcu.edu/transfer) to determine whether they should apply to VCU after completing the one-year Uniform Certificate of General Studies (to avoid earning excess credits after transfer). The minimum world language requirement for humanities majors (and some art majors) is the 102-level. Some majors require additional language courses. Consult VCU's Transfer Maps (https://majormaps.vcu.edu/transfer) for more information.
UNIV 111-112	3	ENG 111 College Comp I	UNIV 111 is waived and students receive 3 credits for UNIV 112.	
UNIV 200	3	ENG 112 College Comp II		
General Education	3	Any UCGS Humanities or Fine Arts (Block II)		
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General Education	3	Any UCGS History (Block VI)		
General Education	3	Any UCGS Social or Behavioral Science (Block III)		
General Education	4	Any UCGS lab science (Block IV)		
General Education	3	Any: Math 154 or higher		
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Electives	28	Select courses to fulfill requirements of associate degree	Review VCU Transfer Maps for course recommendations, such as world language and pre-major course requirements.	
CREDITS PRE-TRANSFER: 60-62				CREDITS POST-TRANSFER: 58-60

TRANSFER GUIDANCE

By meeting the following criteria, you are guaranteed admission to the university.

This agreement does not guarantee your enrollment in any specific major

- Earn a transfer associate degree or Uniform Certificate of General Studies.
- Earn a minimum GPA of 2.5 for your associate degree. VCU will recognize the cumulative GPA as recorded on the VCCS transcript and not recalculate based on multiple course attempts.
- Complete a minimum of 30 credits at VCCS institution
- Earn grades of “C” or higher in all community college courses.

IMPORTANT LINKS & DATES:

- **University Transfer Center:** <https://transfer.vcu.edu/>.
- **Register Intent to Transfer:** <https://ugradadmissions.vcu.edu/register/letterofinterest>.
- **Admission Application:** Rolling admission. By March 15 for priority fall admission and November 1 for spring admission at <https://www.vcu.edu/admissions/apply/>.
- **Financial Aid:** <https://semss.vcu.edu/our-services/financial-resources-and-guidance/>.
- **FAFSA - Free Application for Federal Student Aid:** March 1 for fall semester at <https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa>.

WHAT SHOULD I CONSIDER WHEN SELECTING COURSES?

- Students should review **VCU Transfer Maps** (<https://majormaps.vcu.edu/transfer>) for course recommendations for all VCU’s undergraduate programs.
- Create a schedule for all required courses, pay attention to prerequisites and when courses are offered, and complete your first math and English courses in your first year. For help, see Transfer Steps and Resource Center at www.TransferVirginia.org
- Connect with an advisor at your community college and VCU within your first year. Contact your VCU transfer advisor at <https://transfer.vcu.edu/>.

WHICH MAJORS WILL BE AVAILABLE TO ME THROUGH THIS GAA?

VCU’s Transfer Maps (<https://majormaps.vcu.edu/transfer>) specify whether the major is available through the GAA. A full list of VCU’s degree programs is located at: <https://admissions.vcu.edu/academics/program-explorer/?d=bachelors#acadprog>.

WHAT IS THE IMPACT ON MY DEGREE OF WORK I HAVE ALREADY COMPLETED?

- **Associate Transfer Degree Completion:** The completion of a transfer associate degree results in all lower-division general education requirements being met when you transfer to VCU.
- **Dual Enrollment – Completion of Associate Degree in HS:** The completion of an associate degree concurrent with high school results in 60 credits of course work applied towards your degree and VCU’s general education courses satisfied. High school students should apply to VCU as freshman applicants for orientation and engagement purposes.
- **Credit for Prior Learning:** VCU accepts AP, IB, Cambridge, CLEP, DANTES, and military credits.
- **Catalog Year:** VCU will honor the degree requirements of the VCU Undergraduate Bulletin in effect at the time of the student’s first post-high school enrollment into an appropriate associate degree at the two-year institution. Students must stay enrolled at their community college and take no more than four years to complete their degree. Students must also enroll at VCU within one year of completing their associate degree.

IS THIS COLLEGE RIGHT FOR ME?

- Located in downtown Richmond, within two hours of the beach, the mountains and Washington DC, VCU provides top-ranked academic programs, research opportunities and an urban setting so students can live and learn in the real world.
- VCU is a large, public research institution dedicated to the success and well-being of students and the Richmond community.
- Diversity, inclusion and equity are deeply ingrained core values of VCU.

Learn more about our college at www.TransferVirginia.org

WHAT RESOURCES ARE AVAILABLE TO HELP ME SELECT A MAJOR?

- Learn more about career pathways at www.TransferVirginia.org

DID YOU KNOW THAT...

- Exceeding 3 years or 90 credits at your community college means you may have exhausted your financial aid at that college and have limited your future financial aid at VCU?

WHAT ARE MY CHANCES FOR GETTING ACCEPTED?

If you apply through general application instead of through the GAA you will be considered for admission with all other transfer applicants.

Learn more about applying at www.TransferVirginia.org