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Transfer guides are produced as a service to MCC students. Every effort is made to maintain up-to-date and accurate information; however, this information is subject to change. Such changes take precedence over the information on this guide. Students should work with an MCC advisor and the four-year transfer school. Responsibility for complying with all applicable requirements ultimately rests with the student.

Transfer Options

Associate in Arts and/or Illinois Articulation Agreement (IAI GECC)

- **Transferring with IAI GECC (must be certified on transcript, included in MCC's AA degree)**
 - Columbia's Liberal Arts and Sciences Core requirements satisfied
 - The following are Columbia college-wide requirements and are not automatically satisfied with the completion of the IAI GECC. A single course can satisfy a college-wide and a general education requirement.
 - 6 credits of 2000-level or higher Liberal Arts and Sciences Core courses (any 200 level MCC IAI GECC course)
 - 3 credits of Global Awareness (MCC course options: ANT 151, 170, 260; ART 155; ENG 272, 276; GEG 203, 204; HIS 165; MUS 153; PHI 160, 261; PLT261, 281; any Foreign Language)
 - 3 credits of United States Pluralism (MCC course options: ART165; ENG275; HIS141; PHI158; SOC251, 260, 261)
 - One course coded as Writing Intensive while in residence; this requirement **must** be taken at Columbia. May also satisfy major, minor, GECC, or Liberal Arts and Sciences Core requirements.
- **Transferring without IAI GECC**
 - **With 29 or fewer transferable credits** – Complete Columbia's Liberal Arts and Sciences core courses (chart on next page)
 - **With 30 or more transferable credits** from IAI participating Illinois institution(s)
 - Complete IAI GECC at Columbia by taking Columbia approved IAI courses **or**
 - Complete Columbia's Liberal Arts and Sciences course courses (chart on next page)

Admission Information

- **Application and admission** - An Admissions Review Committee evaluates all completed applications for admission to the College. Students whose application materials do not demonstrate the academic preparation, maturity, and/or commitment necessary to be successful, will be denied admission. Students in good standing at their previous institution, generally, are admitted to the College. Some majors require specific admission GPAs.
- **Application Deadlines** –
 - **Rolling admissions policy** - Completed applications are reviewed as the College receives them.
 - **Priority deadlines** – recommended to secure housing, course registration, financial aid/scholarship
Summer – April 1; **Fall** – May 1; **Spring** – November 15
- **Admission consideration** – Holistic review based on following factors: academic record, personal essay, letter(s) of recommendation, standardized test scores, and creative work samples when available.
- **Required application materials:**
 - Application for undergraduate admission, including the essay
 - Official transcripts of high school academic record (or official GED transcript), or official transcripts from a state recognized home school
 - Official transcripts from current and all previously attended colleges
 - At least one letter of recommendation
 - A non-refundable application fee
- **Optional application materials:**
 - ACT or SAT scores
 - Portfolio of a student's best creative/artistic work

Additional Information

- **Grade Requirement** – Minimum C grade; D grade accepted for general education with completed IAI GECC and minimum 2.0 GPA (exception ENG151 & 152)
- **Maximum hours from a community college**
 - Transfer credit from any combination of regionally accredited two year institution, Advanced Placement, CLEP, military and/or Life Experience is limited to a maximum of 75 credits.
 - Maximum 4 credits of physical education will be accepted; maximum of 9 credits in foreign language accepted.
 - Topics, independent study, internships, ESL, adult education, continuing education, workshops, seminars, and developmental courses (those courses usually numbered below 100) are not transferable.
- The final 12 credits needed for graduation must be taken in residence at Columbia College Chicago.
- **Portfolio/Audition** - Portfolio and audition submissions are welcome but not required. Admissions decisions are based on a holistic review of the following factors: academic record, personal essay, letter(s) of recommendation as well as standardized test scores and creative work samples when available. Portfolio may be considered with other required admission application materials in identifying eligibility for some of the College's merit scholarship programs.
Note: The vast majority of Columbia's scholarship programs for incoming students do not require the submission of creative work samples.

The following chart shows Columbia's general education requirements and MCC's equivalents. Courses on the chart are recommended for the following students:

- Students planning to enter Columbia as freshmen who also want to take courses at MCC during the summer between high school graduation and entering Columbia
- Students planning to transfer prior to completing 30 transferable MCC credits
- Please note that some majors have specific general education course requirements.

Columbia College	BA	BFA	MCC Equivalents
Communications: Knowledge & Practice	12 credits	9 credits	Communications
Two courses (6 credits) writing sequence			ENG151 & 152
One course (3 credits) oral communication		Not required	SPE151
On course (3 credits) First Year Studies (Transfer students with more than 24 credits must substitute core elective (3 credits))			Must be taken at Columbia College Chicago
Physical & Material World	9 credits	9 credits	Science and Mathematics
One course (3 credits) in college level math			MAT 120, 150, 161, 165, 170, 171, 175, 220, 245, 253, 255, 260
Two courses (6 credits) of science; one course Must have laboratory component			Choose from following prefixes & numbers: ANT 160; BIO; CHM; EAS; GEG 107, 123, 220, 221; GEL; PHY
Historical Narrative/Civic Consciousness	6 credits	6 credits	History
Two courses (6 credits) of history			Choose course with HIS prefix
Cultures, Values, and Ethics	15 credits	12 credits	Humanities & Fine Arts
Two courses (6 credits) of humanities		1 or 2 courses	Choose from following prefixes & numbers: ART 150, 151, 155, 165, 171, 172, 175; FRE; GER; JRN 180; MUS 151, 153, 154, 171, 172; PHI; SPA; THE 151
One course (3 credits) in literature		1 course	ENG 240, 251-277
			Social & Behavioral Sciences
Two courses (6 credits) in social science		1 or 2 courses	Choose from following prefixes & numbers: ANT (except 160); ECO; GEG 202, 203, 204; PLT; PSY; SOC
TOTAL	42 credits	36 credits	
2000 Level Requirement – 6 credits must be taken at 2000 level or above (same as 200 level courses at MCC)			
American Pluralism – diversity in US – Satisfied by fulfilling an above requirement with one of following courses: ART 165; ENG 275; HIS 141; PHI 158; SOC 251, 260, 261			
Global Awareness – diversity outside US – Satisfied by fulfilling an above requirement with one of following courses: ANT 151, 170, 260; ART 155; ENG 272, 276; GEG 203, 204; HIS 165; MUS 153; PHI 160, 261; PLT261, 281; any Foreign Language			

College wide Electives: ACC; ART; BUS; CDM110; CSC; DGM; ECE; GRA; HFE (max 4 credits); JRN; MGT; MKT; MUS; SPE; THE; WEB