

UAA Transfer Credits

- UAA transferred in 275,000 credits last year, 41% more than just four years earlier.
- UAA transferred in credits from 6,000 students last year, 65% more than just four years earlier.
- UAA continues to build articulation agreements with UAS, UAF and other popular Universities in the lower 48.
 - Agreements allow for the quick and seamless transfer of credits from one degree program to another.
- UAA developed and now includes in the Course Catalog a UAS/UAF-to-UAA GER credit transfer table for students to see how 100% of UAS and UAF's GER courses will transfer into UAA and satisfy the same GER requirement at UAA. YES, today, 100% of UAS and UAF GER's are accepted to satisfy UAA's GER requirements.
- The "transferability problem" for UAA has primarily been a service, processing and information sharing problem.
 - Student Affairs and Academic Affairs have built a strong collaborative partnership to clean up the process, improve communication to students, and establish transparent articulation agreements.
 - These efforts produced a 10% increase in direct equivalencies — that is to say, a larger percentage of credits transferred in are applying to degree program requirements and a smaller percentage are coming in as elective credits, than a year before.
 - Example: Foreign language courses from other Universities in languages not taught at UAA are now accepted and satisfy a GER requirement.
- UAA's transfer credit processing time has gone from 45 days in 2011 to just 3 days right now.
 - Decreasing the transfer credit processing time means students and advisors have accurate and timely information about courses students should enroll in and can more accurately project time to degree completion.
 - UAA has invested in new software for the scanning of incoming transcripts and automating transfer credit decisions (on line next year).

- UAA's top 50 feeder schools will be loaded and produce instant decisions.
 - The transcript evaluation process has been separated from the admissions process. This allows evaluators to review and evaluate transcripts as they arrive and not have to wait for admission decisions.
- UAA is now using the Transfer Equivalency System (TES) which is a national database of course offerings from every accredited college and university in the United States. Every academic advisor now uses TES to provide accurate and timely information to students about how courses taken elsewhere in the past, or planned to be taken in the future, will transfer into UAA.
- The Registrars from UAA, UAS and UAF have formed a Transfer Credit Team and meet regularly to work through a task list of transferability questions and errors leading to stronger transferability decisions and long-range systems.
- UAA purged 370,000 outdated records from our transferability resource website to ensure students have quicker access to accurate information about how courses transfer.
- UAA now uses a single vendor for the evaluation of international transcripts. This has improved accuracy and timeliness — shaved 4 weeks of the process.
- UAA students transferring in credits now receive a Transfer Credit Evaluation Results report which provides detailed information about how credits transferred in and adds additional directions for how to request course substitutions from faculty.
- UAA implemented a new point of service for students who have any questions about or problems with transferring credits.