

# COURSE CREDIT REGULATIONS AND LIMITS

## Correspondence Credit

Up to 64 credit hours in correspondence and extension credit may be applied to the completion of work for an undergraduate degree with the further stipulation that not more than one-fourth of the requirements for the degree may be completed in correspondence credit. Academic departments may establish such course and credit limitations in acceptance of correspondence credit as may be required by specific degree programs.

Although UNC Greensboro correspondence credit is treated as transfer credit at the time of admission, it will be thereafter considered "Residence" credit for degree certification purposes.

Correspondence credit earned from institutions other than UNC Greensboro is always treated as transfer credit. It will have no impact on the UNC Greensboro grade point average. Only credits will be applied toward UNC Greensboro degree requirements.

## Extension Credit

UNC Greensboro extension credit, earned either on or off campus, will be considered transfer credit for admission purposes. Up to 64 credit hours in extension and/or correspondence credits may be applied to completion of work for an undergraduate degree. Academic departments may establish such course and credit limitations in acceptance of extension credit as may be required by specific degree programs.

Although UNC Greensboro extension credit is treated as transfer credit at the time of admission, it will be thereafter considered "Residence" credit for degree certification purposes.

## Non-Credit Courses

Non-credit courses do not count toward graduation nor are they calculated in the student's GPA. There are currently no non-credit courses available.

## Physical Education Credit Limit Policy

Any university student may take up to 12 credit hours of elective credit in physical education activity courses to apply toward graduation.

## Repeated Courses

If a course or its equivalent is taken more than once for credit and is not repeatable for credit, credit will be applied toward degree requirements only once.

In accordance with UNC System policy 400.1.5 (<https://www.northcarolina.edu/apps/policy/doc.php?type=pdf&id=157>), undergraduate students may repeat up to 16 hours of undergraduate coursework during their academic career. All attempts of a course will be recorded on a student's official transcript and count towards their attempted hours. However, when a course is repeated, only the highest grade earned will be used in the calculation of a student's GPA, up to the 16-credit-hour limit.

Students with extenuating circumstances that may warrant repeat coursework beyond the 16-hour limit permitted by UNC System policy should work with their academic advisor to determine if a Repeat Course Appeal should be submitted for consideration.

## Summer Session Credit

Students may enroll for no more than seven credits during each of the two summer sessions, unless permitted to take an increased load by their assigned academic advisor.

## Advanced Placement Credit (AP Credit)

In compliance with the UNC system policy 700.10.1 [R], UNC Greensboro accepts Advanced Placement (AP) Exam Scores from the College Board for scores of three or higher on one or more AP Exam(s). To help improve student's completion and progression towards a degree, qualified AP Exam(s) Score will be awarded for specific credit hours aligned with the equivalent UNCG course(s). A list of corresponding credits and accepted scores may be found on the University Registrar's Office website.

## Transfer Credit

### Comprehensive Articulation Agreement

The North Carolina General Assembly, the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina, and the State Board of Community Colleges are committed to the simplification of transfer of credits for students and thus facilitating their educational progress as they pursue associate or baccalaureate degrees within and among public post-secondary institutions in North Carolina. The Comprehensive Articulation Agreement (CAA) is a statewide agreement governing the transfer of credits between N.C. community colleges and public universities in North Carolina, and has as its objective the smooth transfer of students, providing certain assurances to the transferring student by identifying community college courses that are appropriate for transfer as electives, and specifying courses that will satisfy pre-major and general education requirements.

The CAA establishes the procedures governing the transfer of credits for students who transfer from a North Carolina Community College to a constituent institution of The University of North Carolina. To be eligible for the transfer of credits under the CAA, the student must graduate from the community college with an Associate in Arts (AA) or Associate in Science (AS) degree and have an overall Grade Point Average (GPA) of at least 2.0 on a 4.0 scale and a grade of "C" or better in all CAA courses. Students who do not complete the degree are eligible to transfer credits on a course-by-course basis. Students officially enrolled in an AA or AS program at a North Carolina community college prior to Fall Semester 2014 are subject to the conditions and protections contained in the CAA in place at the time of their initial enrollment as long as they have remained continuously enrolled

Community college graduates of the Associate in Arts or Associate in Science degree programs who have earned 60 semester hours in approved transfer courses with a grade of "C" or better will receive at least 60 semester hours of academic credit upon admission to UNC Greensboro. A student who completes the Associate in Arts or Associate in Science degree prior to transfer to UNC Greensboro will have fulfilled the university's lower-division general education requirements, but not intermediate-level general education requirements like the College of Arts and Sciences' foreign language requirement. Also, due to degree requirements in some majors, additional lower-division courses at UNC Greensboro may be required beyond the general education courses and pre-major courses taken at the community college.

If a student from a North Carolina Community College System (NCCCS) college believes the terms of the Comprehensive Articulation Agreement (CAA) have not been honored by UNC Greensboro, the student may invoke the CAA Transfer Credit Appeal Procedure. Steps to file an appeal can be found in Appendix E of the Comprehensive Articulation Agreement

document (<https://www.nccommunitycolleges.edu/academic-programs/college-transferarticulation-agreements/comprehensive-articulation-agreement-caa> (<https://www.nccommunitycolleges.edu/academic-programs/college-transferarticulation-agreements/comprehensive-articulation-agreement-caa/>))

### **Transfer Credit and Credit Limit**

UNC Greensboro is accredited by and will accept transfer credit from schools accredited by the Commission on Colleges, Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC). Colleges and universities outside of the SACSCOC region must have accreditation from the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC) Western Association of Schools and Colleges, Higher Learning Commission (HLC), Middle States Commission on Higher Education (MSCHE), New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE), Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU), Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC), or WASC Senior College and University Commission (WSCUC) for the transfer credit to be accepted.

Transfer credit to be awarded is determined by the quality as well as the quantity of the student's previous college work. Course work completed with a grade of C-, D+, D, or D- will not transfer. Transfer courses are evaluated on a course-by-course basis.

The sum total of transfer credit hours from two-year college(s), extension, or correspondence courses that may be applied toward an undergraduate degree may not exceed 64 semester hours. No combination of 2Plus and transfer/extension credit may exceed 64 semester hours on the student's transfer equivalency worksheet.

The University's Repeated Course policy applies to transfer credit. If a course or its equivalent is taken more than once for credit and is not repeatable for credit, credit will be applied toward degree requirements only once. In the case of duplicate transfer credit, only the first instance in which credit can be awarded will remain on the UNC Greensboro academic record.

Current UNC Greensboro policy stipulates that courses completed in technical, vocational, or professional programs at community colleges or courses from technical colleges or proprietary institutions cannot be accepted in transfer, unless they are part of a 2Plus Program. These programs give students with articulated Associate in Applied Science degrees access to a limited number of degrees at UNC Greensboro.

### **Credit for Military Training**

Elective credit for military training may be awarded where UNC Greensboro has comparable courses and upon receipt of an official American Council of Education transcript.