Prospective Transfers

Welcome to Western Illinois University! We are glad that you are exploring the transfer options Western has to offer. Deciding where to complete your education is a big decision. We are here to make your transfer process less complicated.

Western Illinois University is a transfer-friendly institution that accepts all successfully completed college-level coursework. Western honors the Compact Agreement, the Illinois Articulation Initiative and participates in many IAI Major Recommendations.

If you are searching for a great academic experience in a comfortable setting, it’s here at Western Illinois University, one of America’s Best Value Colleges. We earned our standing among the elite 150 best value colleges in the U.S. based on quality academics, tuition, financial aid and student borrowing. Please call us at 1-877/PICKWIU if you have any questions.

Macomb Campus Transfer Admission Standards

For transfer students to the Macomb campus, admission standards vary depending on how many semester hours you have previously earned.

If you have earned 24 or more semester hours

Admissions standards are as follows:

- Have a combined C average for all hours attempted from all institutions attended and
- Be in good standing at the last college/university attended

If you have earned fewer than 24 semester hours

Admissions standards are as follows:

- Have a combined C average for all hours attempted from all institutions attended and
- Be in good standing at the last college/university attended and
- Meet freshman admission standards of 2.5 cumulative high school grade point average with ACT composite score of 20 (SAT - 940)

Quad Cities Campus Transfer Admission Standards

Admissions standards are as follows:
- Earned 60 semester hours or more and
- Cumulative grade point average of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale and
- Be in good academic standing at the last school attended

**Transfer Student Check List**

Transferring universities can be overwhelming! Use this checklist to help you prepare for your transition to Western Illinois University. As always, if you have any questions, please contact the Undergraduate Admissions Office at 877/PICK WIU or e-mail admissions@wiu.edu. Quad Cities transfers, please contact WIU-QC Admissions at 309/762-9481 or e-mail CM-Williams11@wiu.edu.

**Before Arriving at WIU**

- Apply to Western Illinois University
- Have your current college/university send an official final transcript to WIU admissions after your classes have been completed and recorded or a degree has been posted. Official transcript should be sent to:
  
  Undergraduate Admissions  
  Western Illinois University  
  1 University Circle  
  Macomb, Illinois 61455

- After being accepted to WIU, submit your immunization records and verify that your immunizations are current with Beu Health Center. For details and necessary forms, visit the Beu Health Center Immunization web page.

- Contact University Housing & Dining Services to inquire about living requirements.

**Once you Arrive on Campus**

- Have your student ID picture taken at the Student Assistance & Parent Service Center.
- Reserve or buy your books at one or both of the bookstores: the University Union Bookstore and/or Chapman's Bookstore (717 West Adams Street, Phone: 309/833-4509).
Articulation & Course Equivalencies

Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI)

Phase I

The Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI) began in 1998 to assist students transferring general education course work between Illinois schools. The IAI General Education Core Curriculum (GECC) comprised of 37 to 41 semester hours is for students who are undecided about a major and which four-year school to attend. Students who transfer to Western Illinois University with IAI GECC (37-41 semester hours) verified on their official transcript will have met the University's General Education requirement. Students who have decided on a major should see below Phase II. If you have decided to transfer to WIU, you should consult the WIU catalog and talk to an admission counselor.

- An Overview of GECC
- Top Ten Things to Know about GECC
- Plan a Transfer Worksheet

Phase II

IAI Majors identifies course work students in their first and second year would typically complete. This is for students who have decided on a major but are undecided about which four-year school to attend. Each major may recommend General Education course work to include in the IAI GECC and courses that may count in a specific major. If you have decided to transfer to Western Illinois University, you should consult the WIU catalog and talk to an admission counselor.

- An Overview of IAI Majors
- Top Ten Things to Know about IAI Majors

Participating IAI Majors

- Agricultural Business, Agricultural Science and Agricultural Education
- B.F.A in Art and B.A. in Art
- Art Education
Course Equivalencies

Course equivalency tables are updated weekly and course equivalents are subject to change. A course may have more than one equivalent based upon the student's declared major at the time of transfer. Current WIU students should contact their adviser or the Student Assistance and Parent Service Center at 309/298-2092. Prospective transfer students may contact their admission counselor or Joan McEneany, Transfer Coordinator, at JLMcEneaney@wiu.edu.