Transfer Students

Individuals who have completed 24 semester hours of transferable academic credit from regionally accredited colleges or universities with a 2.0 or better GPA may be admitted to UAH as transfer students without having to submit high school transcripts, ACT or SAT scores. Transfer students must submit official transcripts from all colleges previously attended. Transfer admissions decisions will be based on a full evaluation of transcripts from all colleges and universities attended with emphasis given to those courses in which the subject matter is acceptable and relevant to the desired UAH degree program. Applicants must be in good standing at their previous institutions and have a minimum overall 2.0 GPA as well as a minimum 2.0 GPA in all courses transferable to UAH to be considered for admission.

Applicants must demonstrate proficiency in the English language. Applicants whose first language is other than English should refer the section (http://catalog.uah.edu/undergrad/academic-information/lic) on English language requirements for nonnative speakers.

Transfer Students from Alabama Junior/Community Colleges

A student transferring from an Alabama junior/community college may choose to fulfill the degree requirements of the UAH catalog which was in effect at the time of the student's initial enrollment at the Alabama junior/community college, provided that the date does not exceed the seven year limit. (See time limits section of the catalog.) This policy enables students enrolled at Alabama junior/community colleges to plan degree programs effectively and to be assured that degree requirements specified for UAH students will be equally applicable, within specified limits, to transfer students.

UAH participates in the Alabama Articulation Agreement. Students intending to transfer to UAH from Alabama junior or community colleges are encouraged to consult with their advisors, the UAH Office of Admissions, and obtain a STARS guide. This guide is also available via the Internet at http://stars.troy.edu. When planning their programs of study, this guide will identify courses for their major and will show equivalencies for community college courses.

A maximum of 50% of a degree program may be earned from a junior, community or two-year college. Requests for exceptions must be in writing and approved by dean of the college in which the student is enrolled.

Acceptance of transfer credit by the Admissions Office and application of credits to a specific degree program by the academic department are two separate and distinct processes. Consult an academic advisor for degree applicability within the desired degree program.

Credits earned in quarter hours will be converted to semester hours on the basis of two-thirds of one semester hour for each quarter hour.

An individual who enrolls as a non-degree student and later decides to work toward a degree must apply for admission as a degree-seeking student and request an evaluation of transfer credits. The application of such accepted credits to a particular program of study will be made and approved at the time of admission to the desired degree program.

Evaluation of Transfer Credit

The University of Alabama in Huntsville follows the practices specified in Transfer Credit Practices of Designated Educational Institutions, published by the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers, in evaluating college level courses from other recognized colleges and universities for the purpose of transfer of credit to UAH. Transfer credit evaluations will be completed as early as possible, but no later than the first semester of enrollment.

Credits from an institution that is not yet accredited but has acquired candidate status from a regional accrediting agency are provisionally eligible for transfer to UAH. In order to obtain full credit for courses accepted as provisional credits, students must complete 30 semester hours at UAH and earn a “C” or better in each course attempted. Transfer credit will not be posted until this requirement has been met. Students with provisional credits should contact the Registrar upon completion of 30 semester hours at UAH.

Courses completed at unaccredited and non-candidate institutions are not accepted for credit at UAH. Credits for education completed in non-collegiate settings that have been evaluated and recommended for credit by the American Council on Education are accepted as transfer credit at UAH. As a member of Service Members Opportunity Colleges, UAH is committed to easing transfer of relevant course credits and crediting learning from appropriate military training and work experiences.

The completion of the Freshman Writing/Composition requirement at another regionally-accredited college or university will satisfy UAH's Freshman Composition 6 credit-semester hour requirement (Freshman Composition I and II). For situations where this requirement was satisfied by less common approaches such as CLEP or credit by examination, please contact the chair of the English department.

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