

# Columbia College

## TRANSFER GUIDE

HARPER COLLEGE Updated 04/06/15

### Contact Information

Office of Undergraduate Admissions  
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[www.colum.edu](http://www.colum.edu)

### Tuition and Enrollment 2014-2015

Tuition & Fees:	\$23,300 per year
Room & Board:	\$11,500 per year
Enrollment:	10,000
Calendar:	Semester system
Institution Type:	Private

**THIS TRANSFER GUIDE CONTAINS IMPORTANT TRANSFER INFORMATION THAT CAN IMPACT A STUDENT'S ABILITY TO TRANSFER AND COMPLETE THEIR STUDIES IN A TIMELY MANNER.**

*The information on this sheet is subject to frequent change; students should contact the four-year school to keep informed of changes. Final responsibility for verifying all transfer information lies with the student.*

### ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS FOR TRANSFER STUDENTS

- There is no minimum number of hours required for admission to Columbia.
- Generally, if a student is in good standing at the last institution attended, admission to Columbia is assured. Contact the Admissions Office for more detailed information.
- Columbia and Harper have articulation agreements in Fashion Design and Fashion Merchandising.

### TRANSFER CREDIT

Transfer courses must be completed with a C grade or better and must be similar or equivalent in content to those offered by Columbia. All final decisions are made by Columbia. All transfer students will receive an official transcript evaluation as part of the admissions process.

- Effective Fall 2015, a maximum of 75 credits from a regionally accredited two year institution.
- A maximum of 88 credits from a regionally accredited four year college or university.
- 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.
- If a student has attended both a four-year and a two-year regionally accredited institution, the maximum number of transfer credits accepted is 88 (with no more than 75 credits earned from the two-year institution.)
- No more than 4 semester credits of Physical Education will be accepted.

- The final 12 credits needed for graduation must be taken in residence at Columbia College Chicago.

## **APPLICATION**

Students have the option to either fill out the Columbia Application or the Common Application. Both applications require:

- One essay question
- One letter of recommendation
- \$35 application fee
- High School transcripts (all transfer students must submit high school transcripts)
- College transcripts
- Immunization records

ACT/SAT is recommended but not required. In many cases ACT scores may be used as an alternative to the College's placement tests.

## **ILLINOIS ARTICULATION INITIATIVE (IAI)**

Effective fall 2014, Columbia College Chicago participates in the Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI) as a receiving institution. The IAI is a statewide agreement that allows transfer students coming from participating Illinois institutions who meet certain criteria to complete the General Education Core Curriculum (GECC) in lieu of the Columbia College Chicago Liberal Arts and Sciences Core. Transfer students who are accepted to Columbia College Chicago and who meet at least one of the following criteria will be eligible for the IAI:

1. Earned Associate's degree from a participating Illinois institution
2. Completion of the GECC package at a participating Illinois institution
3. Completion of 30 transferable credits from one or more participating Illinois institutions

Students who meet 1. or 3. above who have not yet completed the GECC package will be permitted to do so while enrolled at Columbia College Chicago. In the event that the Columbia College Chicago Liberal Arts and Sciences Core leads to faster degree completion, the student may choose it instead of the GECC.

Transfer students who complete the GECC package in lieu of Columbia College Chicago's Liberal Arts and Sciences Core must still complete the following college-wide degree requirements, which may or may not be fulfilled in transfer:

6 credits of 2000-level or higher Liberal Arts and Sciences Core courses  
3 credits of Global Awareness  
3 credits of United States Pluralism

In addition, all Columbia College Chicago students are required to complete one course coded as Writing Intensive while in residence. This requirement is not transferrable. Courses coded as Writing Intensive are denoted with a "WI" in the course catalog and schedule. WI courses may also satisfy major, minor, GECC, or Liberal Arts and Sciences Core requirements.

Transfer students entering Columbia College Chicago from participating Illinois institutions with 29 or fewer transferrable credits are required to complete the Liberal Arts and Sciences Core.

## **APPLICATION DEADLINES.**

### Priority Deadlines

Fall Term: May 1  
Spring Term: November 15  
Summer Term: April 15

## **TRANSFER SCHOLARSHIPS**

Columbia offers the Transfer Achievement Award for \$8,500/year for students who maintain a 3.0 GPA. The award is renewable. The application deadline is February 1<sup>st</sup> for Fall and December 15<sup>th</sup> for Spring.

Additional scholarships are possible for transfer students and can be found at [http://www.colum.edu/student-financial-services/create-a-plan/scholarships/#scholarship\\_finder](http://www.colum.edu/student-financial-services/create-a-plan/scholarships/#scholarship_finder)

## **ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE**

For assistance with the transfer process, contact:

- Academic Advising and Counseling Center in I-117 (847-925-6393)
- Center for Multicultural Learning in A-347 (847-925-6522)
- Career Development Center in A-347 (847-925-6220)

**Columbia College Chicago  
Liberal Arts and Sciences Core Curriculum Requirements**

Below is the Columbia College Chicago Liberal Arts and Sciences Core Curriculum. Students can opt to complete the Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI) General Education Core Curriculum (GECC), (Groups 1-5 of Harper's 1998 or later AA/AS degree) in lieu of this curriculum. By completing the IAI GECC, students will have met the general education requirements of Columbia College Chicago. Individual majors may require additional course work for admission and/or additional general education course work for graduation. Students transferring with the IAI GECC must still fulfill the requirements below in gray.

Final decisions regarding the acceptance of credit rest with Columbia College Chicago.

**Must be completed with a 2.0 GPA in the Core courses to be eligible for certification on transcript.**

Columbia College Chicago	BA Degree	BFA Degree	Equivalents Harper College
<b>Communications: Knowledge &amp; Practice</b>	<b>12 hrs.</b>	<b>9 hrs.</b>	<b>Communications</b>
Two courses (6 hrs.) sequence in writing			ENG 101 & 102
One course (3 hrs.) in oral communications		Not required	SPE 101
One course (3 hrs.) First Year Studies (Transfer students with more than 24 hours must substitute a core elective (3 hrs.))			Must be taken at Columbia College Chicago
<b>Physical &amp; Material World</b>	<b>9 hrs.</b>	<b>9 hrs.</b>	<b>Science and Mathematics</b>
One course (3 hrs.) in college level mathematics or higher			MTH 101 or Higher
Two courses (6 hrs.) of science; one course must have a laboratory component			Any College Level AST, BIO, CHM, GEO, PHS, PHY, GEG 111 or GEG 112, ANT 205 or 215; PSY 220
<b>Historical Narrative/Civic Consciousness</b>	<b>6 hrs.</b>	<b>6 hrs.</b>	<b>History</b>
Two courses (6 hrs.) of history			Any College Level HST
<b>Culture, Values and Ethics</b>	<b>15 hrs.</b>	<b>12 hrs.</b>	
One or two courses (3 or 6 hrs.) of humanities	2 courses	1 or 2 courses	ART 105, 114, 133; DIV 101; HUM 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 110, 115; LNG 205; MUS 103, 104, 106, 120; PHI 101, 102, 105, 115, 120, 150, 160, 170, 190, 205, 210, 215, 220, 231, 232; SPE 111; Any foreign language.
			<b>Literature</b>
One course (3 hrs.) in literature			Any College Level LIT; FRN 210; GER 210; HUM 120, 125; SPA 210.
			<b>Social Science</b>
One or two courses (3 or 6 hrs.) in social science	2 courses	1 or 2 courses	Any College Level ANT (except 205 and 215), ECO, GEG (except 111 and 112), PSC, PSY (except 220) or SOC
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>42 hrs.</b>	<b>36 hrs.</b>	
<b>2000 Level Requirement</b> – 6 hours must be taken at the 2000 level or above (which may be the same as 200 level courses at other institutions).			
<b>American Pluralism – diversity in the US</b> – Satisfy by taking course with appropriate content from any category above, including ANT 203; DIV 101; HST 210, 214; HUM 110; LIT 223, 224; PHI 190; SOC 230, 235; SPE 121.			
<b>Global Awareness – diversity outside the US</b> – Satisfy by taking course with appropriate content from any category above, including ANT 207, 208; ART 133; GEG 103; HST 121, 231, 232, 241, 242, 243; HUM 103, 104; LIT 208; PHI 160, 205; PSC 260, 280.			

College wide electives: Any College Level ACC; ART; ATE; FAS; IND; MCM; MGT; MKT; MUS; PED (up to 4 hours); SPE; ENG 103, 130; LNG 105; SGN.

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## Columbia College Programs of Study

### The School of Performing Fine and Performing Arts

#### **Art and Design**

Art and Design (BA)  
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Art History  
Advertising Art Direction (BFA)  
Fashion Design (BFA)  
Fine Art (BFA)  
Graphic Design (BA)  
Illustration (BFA)  
Interior Architecture (BFA)  
Product Design (BFA)

#### **Arts, Entertainment and Media Management (BA)**

Fashion/Retail Management  
Media Management  
Music Business  
Performing Arts Management  
Small Business/Entrepreneurship Management  
Visual Arts Management  
Sports Management

#### **Dance (BA)**

Choreography (BFA)  
Teaching (BFA)

#### **Fiction Writing (BA; BFA)**

Creative Non-Fiction (BFA)  
Playwriting (BA; BFA)

#### **Music**

Composition (BA; BMUS)  
Instrumental Performance (BA)  
Vocal Performance (BA)  
Instrumental Jazz (BA)  
Vocal Jazz (BA)

#### **Photography (BA; BFA)**

##### **Theatre**

Acting (BA)  
Directing (BA; BFA)  
Musical Theatre Performance (BA)  
Technical Theatre (BA)  
Theatre Design (BA; BFA)

### The School of Media Arts

#### **Audio Arts and Acoustics (BA)**

Acoustics  
Audio for Visual Media  
Audio Design and Production  
Sound Contracting  
Sound Reinforcement

#### **Film/Video (BA)**

Critical Studies  
Directing  
Documentary  
Post Production  
Producing  
Screenwriting  
Animation: Computer  
Animation: Traditional  
Audio for Visual Media  
Cinematography

#### **Interactive Arts & Media**

Digital Media Technology (BA)  
Interactive Multimedia (BA)  
Game Design (BA)

#### **Journalism (BA)**

Broadcast Journalism  
Magazine Writing and Editing

News Reporting and Writing  
Reporting on Health, Science and the Environment

#### **Marketing Communication (BA)**

Advertising  
Creative Sports Management  
Marketing Program  
Public Relations

#### **Radio (BA)**

Broadcast Journalism  
Business  
Talent/Production

#### **Television (BA)**

Production/Directing  
Post-Production/Effects  
Interactive Television  
Writing/Producing

### The School of Liberal Arts and Sciences

#### **American Sign Language- ASL-English (BA)**

#### **Cultural Studies (BA)**

#### **Early Childhood Education (BA)**

Center Director  
Early Childhood Education  
Teacher Certification

#### **Poetry (BA)**

#### **Interdisciplinary**

In consultation with academic advisors and department chairpersons, highly motivated students may chart and interdisciplinary course of study, that meets career and academic goals, and integrates one or more disciplines offered in the Columbia curriculum. The resulting interdisciplinary major, including courses from liberal arts and sciences as well as from major-granting programs, culminates in a senior project merging the student's areas of interest, and will be formally recognized as a program of study.