

TRANSFERABILITY OF UNIVERSITY CREDITS

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POLICY

In order for students to complete the University's credentials in a manner that respects the knowledge that students have acquired at other recognized/accredited educational institutions, the University supports the use of transfer credit.

The University acknowledges that the awarding of transfer credit does not guarantee that this transfer credit will be applicable to the credential being pursued by the student.

At a minimum, in determining when transfer credit is applicable to a student's program, the University will abide by the Pan Canadian Protocol on the Transferability of University Credit (<u>http://www.cmec.ca/Publications/Lists/Publications/Attachments/198/Pan-Canadian-Protocol-Transferability-University-Credits.pdf</u>).

REGULATIONS

I. GUIDELINES FOR GRANTING TRANSFER CREDIT

- 1) Comparison of course curriculum forms the basis for considering credit recognition at the University.
- 2) Specific credit will be given for courses that have similar content and learning outcomes. In some cases [upper/lower] level courses successfully completed at other institutions may transfer as equivalent to [lower/upper] level courses at the University. When equivalency cannot be determined, unallocated credit may be granted.
- 3) Credits applied towards a completed credential cannot be considered for transferability to a credential at a lower level in the same academic area.

- 4) Courses accepted by any two public recognized/accredited Canadian universities, colleges, and/or institutes should be transferable to the University and, when applicable, to the equivalent University program.
- 5) Transfer credit may be given only for credit courses receiving a passing grade from the granting institution.

II. TRANSFER OF CREDIT EARNED IN ASSOCIATE DEGREES

The University guarantees sixty (60) credits will be awarded to transfer students who hold an Associate Degree awarded by a BC post-secondary institution that follows the approved BC provincial Associate Degree requirements (<u>http://www.bctransferguide.ca/associate/</u>). Students must still fulfill all requirements of the credential being pursued (i.e. the requirements of the credential being pursued will determine how many, if any, of the transferred credits from the Associate Degree are applicable).

III. TRANSFER OF PLAR CREDITS

ED 2-0 (Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition) outlines the conditions under which TRU accepts credit earned through PLAR at another university, college, or institute as transfer credit.

IV. RECOGNITION OF OTHER TYPES OF LEARNING

Other types of learning acquired outside of an accredited/recognized educational institution, and therefore not eligible for transfer credit, may be eligible for credit via the TRU Credit Bank or via Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition, as per Policy ED 2-0.