



## Things to Consider When Transferring to a Four-Year College

A great place to start when considering transferring is NTC's <http://www.ntc.edu/transfer/college-transfer-guides.html> which outlines which universities have degree completion agreements with Northcentral Technical College. For more information on how your credits transfer to the UW colleges go to: <http://tis.uwsa.edu>.

Some questions to think about and discuss:

### Preparation for a Transfer Discussion:

- Check out websites of colleges/degrees of interest to you
- Bring a copy of your unofficial transcripts and transfer guides of interest
- Have a list of questions to ask and be ready to take notes!

### Career Goals

- What is my career goal?
- Will this degree relate to my career goal?
- Will my bachelor's degree improve my ability to acquire a job or allow me to advance in my career field?

### Location

- Do I need to travel to your campus to take classes and are the classes offered in a nontraditional format?
- Do you have classes at other campuses that might be more convenient for me?



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## **Cost/Financial Aid**

- What is the cost per credit for a class from this institution? Is there a difference in the cost of online courses versus traditional courses?
- What is the application fee?
- Are there any additional course fees?
- Is there a plateau (or no additional costs) after 12 credits at this institution?
- Is there a difference between the cost of private and non-private colleges? Why?
- What do I have to do to receive financial aid at your college?

## **National/Regional Accreditation**

- Is your college well respected in the community?
- Is the college nationally or regionally accredited?
- Does your college have a physical location in a state?
- Will the credits taken at this college be accepted by other colleges for advanced degrees?

## **Credits**

- Will you review my credits before I apply?
- What is the maximum number of credits that I can transfer to your institution that will count towards my program?
- How many credits do I need in addition to my associate degree to complete this specific bachelor's degree?
- How many credits in the major/minor need to be completed at your institution?
- How many credits are in this bachelor's degree program?
- Does your college have semester or quarter credits?

## **Timing**

- Should I finish my associate degree first?
- When can I apply? When can I register for classes?
- If I decide not to attend your institution or decide the classes are not for me, when is the withdrawal date?
- Can I attend part time or full time?
- Is there a late fee charge for application or payment of credits?
- Is this a cohort program?
- Are there opportunities for summer classes, winter/summer break classes, hybrid classes, weekend classes?

## **Housing**

- Do I have to live on campus?
- How do I find out about available rental apartments in the area?
- How do I sign up for campus housing?