



TRANSFER GUIDE

AA Political Science Pre-Major transferring into BA Political Science

Southwestern Illinois College Courses			
AA Political Science Pre-Major – 64 hours			
ENG 101-3	Rhetoric & Composition I	Elective-3	Humanities
ENG 102-3	Rhetoric & Composition II	Elective-4	Physical Science
COMM 151-3	Fundamentals of Public Speaking	Elective-4	Life Science
Elective-3	Mathematics	Elective-3	Fine Arts
POLS 150-3	Intro to American Government	Elective-2	Human Well-Being
POLS 240-3	Comparative Politics	POLS 270-3	International Relations
Elective-3	Humanities	POLS 280-3	Political Theory
Elective-3	Humanities	Electives-18	HIST 101 -or- 102, 286 recommended
Southern Illinois University Carbondale Courses			
BA Political Science (POLS) – 60 hours			
Course-3	WAC Course	Course-3	International Coursework
Course-3	WAC Course	POLS 300-3	Research Methods in Political Science
Course-3	Foreign Language	Courses-9	POLS 400 level
Course-3	Foreign Language	Electives-30	POLS 300/400 level
Course-3	International Coursework		
Total Hours to Bachelor Degree: 124 hours			

Questions? Contact Us!

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Disclaimer: You are encouraged to use this transfer guide when planning your progress towards degree completion. Following a transfer guide does not guarantee admission into the listed program. Information is attempted to be kept current; however, any curriculum changes reflected in the Undergraduate Catalog override the information on this guide. Contact your Academic Advisor for assistance in interpreting this guide.

Baccalaureate Degree Requirements

Each candidate for a bachelor's degree must complete the requirements listed:

Hour Requirements. Student must complete at least 120 semester hrs of credit. Each student must have at least 42 hrs in courses that number 300 or above from a four-year institution.

Residence Requirements. Student must complete the residency requirement by taking a total of 42 semester hrs at SIU Carbondale.

Grade Point Average Requirements. Student must have a C average for all work taken at SIU Carbondale. Some academic programs may require a higher graduating major GPA.

Compact Agreement

SIU Carbondale has recognized Illinois regionally accredited community college transferable baccalaureate-oriented Associate of Arts or Associate of Science degrees under the Compact Agreement since 1970. SIUC will continue to recognize the baccalaureate oriented associate degree (A.A. or A.S. degree) under the Illinois Articulation Initiative as satisfying SIU University Core Curriculum (UCC) requirements. The Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.), Associate in Engineering Science (A.E.S.), the Associate in General Studies (A.G.S.), and the Associate in Fine Arts (A.F.A.) are not covered under the Compact Agreement and do not carry the same benefits as the A.A. and A.S. degrees.

Saluki Transfer Pathways

[Saluki Transfer Pathways](#) is the university's dual admission program that allows baccalaureate-oriented students at eligible community colleges intending to transfer to SIU Carbondale to benefit from early admission and pre-advisement for a baccalaureate program at SIUC. Saluki Transfer Pathways allows students to be conditionally admitted to SIU Carbondale up to two years in advance of their intended transfer term so they have access to transfer credit evaluation and the university's degree audit system. This allows students to address major specific requirements that may not be automatically fulfilled with the completion of an associate degree. Students apply to Saluki Transfer Pathways by completing the Application for Undergraduate Admission and indicating an interest in the program. To participate, students must have at least two semesters remaining at their community college. Direct questions about the Saluki Transfer Pathways program to transfer@siu.edu.

DegreeWorks

DegreeWorks is an easy-to-use, online degree audit tool specifically designed for students. Once admitted to SIU Carbondale, you can use it monitor your progress toward your degree in [Salukinet](#).

Saluki Transfer Estimator Portal (STEP)

The [Saluki Transfer Estimator Portal](#) (STEP) is a web-based tool that integrates institutional course equivalency and degree audit data to provide an unofficial credit estimation and a more seamless transfer process. STEP gives transfer students a clear roadmap for timely degree completion by providing key information about how transfer credits apply to your intended program at SIU.