Transfer Credits and Juniata College

Many students starting at Juniata will bring transfer credits with them from other institutions. Some of you are classified as transfer students because you were a full-time student at another college or university prior to coming to Juniata, and some of you are first-semester college students who earned college credits while still in high school.

Transcripts

- It is your responsibility to have transcripts sent to the Registrar's Office at Juniata College: 1700 Moore St, Huntingdon PA 16652.
- Transcripts must come directly from the college/university that granted the credit, not from your high school.
- It is helpful that Juniata receives your transcripts in advance of your Orientation session to allow sufficient time for evaluation.

Transfer Credit Evaluation

- Every transfer course is subject to evaluation by the appropriate academic department to determine if/how the course will be accepted. You will receive written notification from Juniata acknowledging in the form of a Transfer Credit Evaluation.
- Some transfer courses will earn the exact equivalent of a Juniata course.
- Some transfer courses will not earn the direct equivalent of a Juniata course, but you instead earn general credit in a department. For example, a 100-level history course that is not equivalent to a specific Juniata course may earn a generic HS 1XX designation.
- Transfer credit for courses such as physical education, yoga, cooking, athletic participation, and courses
 that are strictly vocational, remedial, and/or specific to the institution where they were taken is not
 accepted by Juniata College.
- Only credits from courses that earned grades of C- or better will transfer to Juniata. The grades of those courses are not included in your Juniata College cumulative GPA.

First-Year Experience Courses:

For transfer students who enter with 24 credits or more: The First-Year Composition and First-Year Seminar requirements are waived.

For transfer students who enter with 12 credits or more: The First-Year Composition requirement is waived.

For any transfer student: Transfer students are required to take one credit of First-Year Foundations in their first semester on campus. This section of First-Year Foundations will be specific to transfer students and provides an opportunity for assessment of writing skills in order to connect transfer students who need writing support with appropriate campus resources. The second semester of FYF is waived.

<u>First-Time First-Year Students</u>: FYC is a foundational first-year writing course that is required for graduation. All first-time, first-year students will take FYC in their initial semester regardless of any college English or writing credits that were earned while in high school. (Those credits may be accepted as generic EN 1XX credit, but are not accepted as equivalent to FYC.)

<u>Transfer Students who do not meet the waiver minimums as specified above:</u> FYC credit is evaluated for transfer on a course-by-course basis. Transfer students will satisfy the FYC requirement in one of two ways:

- 1) A course taken at another institution is evaluated to be equivalent to FYC. This will be noted on the Transfer Credit Evaluation (see above).
- 2) If no courses from the other institution are evaluated to be equivalent to FYC, the transfer student is required to complete FYC here at Juniata.

Advanced Placement Credit

- College credit may be awarded for AP courses in which the test score is a 4 or 5. Each academic
 department at Juniata has its own requirements regulating the award of such credits. Students with AP
 test scores of 4 or 5 will receive information from the Registrar's Office with a summary of credit
 awarded.
- The results of AP exams taken in the senior year of high school are not typically received until late July, making it difficult to process the AP credit until late July-early August. Therefore, possible AP credits earned in the senior year are not typically available when working on course selection at the June Orientation sessions. When you meet with your advisor at Orientation in June, let them know you have possible AP credits coming in. If necessary, your schedule can be adjusted over the summer after your AP scores are received.

International Baccalaureate (IB) Credits

If you attended an IB high school, please let us know and we will await the results of your exams. It is important for us to know if you earned an IB diploma and whether you want to graduate from Juniata College in three years.

Juniata College Registrar's Office

Juniata College maintains a <u>database of courses</u>, listed by institution, that have been evaluated for transfer credit. If a course that you took is not listed, or the institution you attended is not on the list, just contact the Registrar's Office for direction on how to get that course evaluated.

Additional information about transfer credits is available on the <u>Registrar's Office</u> website or by contacting them at 814-641-3165 or <u>registrar@juniata.edu</u>.