

REGIONALLY ACCREDITED COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY COURSES

Transfer Credits from Regionally Accredited Colleges and Universities

The registrar administers the credit evaluation process for transfer purposes. To be accepted, transfer course work must be taken at the college level from a regionally accredited college or university and must carry a grade of C- or better. Credits earned from colleges and universities accredited by national accreditors recognized by the US Department of Education may be accepted on a case-by-case basis. Credits will be transferred (after conversion to semester credits when necessary) for all approved course work and will be included in the cumulative earned credit hours and cumulative grade point average at St. Catherine University. Courses may be transferred to meet elective requirements or, as approved to meet prerequisite, core course or major requirements by the Office of the Registrar.

Students may also earn credits through the University's Credit for Prior and Alternative Learning (CPAL) program for experiences not previously documented on a college/university transcript.

Post Secondary Enrollment Option / Colleges in the Schools

Regionally accredited college and university transfer work may be earned after graduation from high school or while still enrolled in high school via one of two programs (or similar programs in other states):

PSEO (Post Secondary Enrollment Option)

High school students eligible for this program register for and attend courses at a regionally accredited college or university. PSEO credits and grades are documented on the college transcript and submitted to St. Catherine University for transfer review.

CIS (Colleges in the Schools)

High school students eligible for this program attend courses at their high school that are taught in partnership with a regionally accredited college or university. CIS credits and grades are documented on the college transcript and submitted to St. Catherine University for transfer review.

Overall Residency Requirements

Undergraduate Certificate Programs

- All credits must be taken at St. Catherine University unless stated otherwise by the program.

Associate Degree Programs

- 30 semester credits must be completed in residence.

Baccalaureate Degree Programs - Except RN-BSN Degree Completion

- 32 semester credits must be completed in residence (applies to students seeking their *first or second bachelor's degree*). Resident credits earned at St. Catherine University for an initial degree are applied to the second degree.

Baccalaureate RN-BSN Degree Completion

- 30 semester credits must be completed in residence. This requirement is reduced to 26 semester credits for RN-BSN students who have completed a previous baccalaureate degree.

Students transferring courses to St. Catherine University are also advised take the major and minor residency requirements into consideration.

Major and Minor Residency Requirements

Associate programs

- Students must complete all major (professional) courses in residence.

Baccalaureate Major Residency Requirement

- A minimum of one-half of the courses in the major must be completed in residence.

Baccalaureate Minor Residency Requirement

- A maximum of two transfer courses may be counted toward a minor.