UNDERGRADUATE TRANSFER CREDIT POLICY

PURPOSE

To establish University guidelines for awarding undergraduate credit for prior learning.

STATEMENT OF POLICY

LIU awards undergraduate transfer credit from accredited colleges and universities. Transfer credits are generally awarded for equivalent academic courses that have been successfully completed with grades of C- or better at accredited colleges or universities. In the event that specific LIU programs require grades higher than C- in courses that are prerequisites for admission, that program’s grade transfer credit requirements will apply.

The following additional guidelines apply to the awarding of undergraduate transfer credit:

- Students who have an earned Associates or Bachelor’s degree may be granted credits for courses with grades of D earned, if they were part of the earned degree.
- Students can receive a maximum of 72 credits from two-year institutions.
- Students can receive a maximum of 90 credits from four-year institutions.
- Students who completed higher education coursework in another country must submit official transcripts along with an international credentials evaluation completed by an NACES (National Association of Credential Evaluation Services member organization.
- Courses in which a grade of “P” was earned are not transferrable unless information is provided that indicates that the grade was equivalent to a C- or higher.
- Any awarded transfer credits are not used in the LIU GPA calculation.

Students should refer to the Academic Catalogs for a list of programs that have specific transfer credit requirements.

Military Service and Training Transfer Credit: LIU awards college credits to eligible veterans and active members of the military. The Army, Coast Guard, Marine Corps, and Navy use the centralized Joint Services Transcript (JST) system. Students may receive college credits for military training and specific occupational training. Official Joint Services Transcripts must be submitted to LIU.

Life Experience Transfer Credit: Life Experience credits may be awarded in recognition of knowledge obtained in ways other than study at an accredited college. Students must have completed six credits at LIU and demonstrate knowledge equivalent to what would be learned in a specific LIU undergraduate course. There are some specific subject areas that do not award Life Experience credit; please refer to the Life Experience Credit policy.

Advanced Placement; CLEP; International Transfer Credit; International Baccalaureate: LIU Awards credit to students who achieve minimum required scores for the following:
• Advanced Placement Exams
• CLEP exams
• International Baccalaureate

Non-accredited Institutions Transfer Credit: Students transferring from non-accredited institutions are reviewed on a case-by-case basis to determine eligibility for transfer credits.

POLICY TYPE: STUDENT AFFAIRS