Grand View University Transfer Credit Policy

Transfer from an Accredited Institution

Grand View University follows the Transfer Credit Practices published by the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers (AACRAO). The transfer of credit from one institution to another involves at least three considerations according to AACRAO. Grand View will take into consideration, when evaluating transfer credit, the following:

- 1. the educational quality of the learning experience,
- 2. the comparability of the nature, content, and level of the learning experience, and
- 3 the appropriateness and applicability of the learning experience to the programs offered at Grand View.

The department chair of the courses being evaluated has the ultimate approval of transferabilty of the courses. Official transcripts must be submitted from all institutions attended whether coursework was completed or not. Transcripts must be mailed directly from the originating institution to Grand View University.

Only credits and grade points earned at Grand View will be used to calculate a student's cumulative grade point averages. Credits with grades of D or better that transferred from an accredited institution can be used toward graduation and may be used to meet requirements and prerequisites for specific courses, but not necessarily toward students' majors. Students awarded Latin honors must receive at least 45 credit hours from Grand View from which the grade point average will be calculated. The maximum number of transfer credits accepted from junior/community colleges is 66 semester credits. All junior/community college transfer credit is considered lower division credit.

Transfer from a Non-Accredited Institution

Grand View University may refuse to recognize credit from a non-accredited college or university or may accept credit for courses successfully passed with a C or better. Credit may be given for courses equivalent to the core courses required of every Grand View graduate.

At the discretion of the Office of the Registrar and the major department, courses may be counted toward the major. Additional course-work is considered elective. These elective credits count toward hours required for graduation but do not meet any specific degree requirements. The transferability of courses work follow the principles outlined in Transfer from an Accredited Institution.

No grades from non-accredited institutions are averaged into the cumulative GPA.

Transfer of Coursework Complete Outside of the United States of America

To receive credit for coursework completed outside of the United States of America (U.S.A.), the student must have the transcript evaluated by a transcript evaluation agency in the U.S.A., at the student's expense. The evaluation must be completed on a course-by-course basis. Evaluation by a transcript evaluation agency provides a guide for evaluating international course work; however, Grand View University retains the right to determine transferability of courses and degrees. Students may need to provide Grand View with additional information about coursework, if requested. To receive transfer credit for English composition, international students must take an equivalent course from an accredited institution in the United States or pass the Grand View English Proficiency requirement. In some cases, transfer credit can be granted if the course work is transcripted by a college or university in the U.S.A. that sponsored the study abroad or semester at sea experience, but this situation will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis.