

# Undergraduate Transfer Credit Policy

Howard University accepts academic courses from regionally accredited colleges and universities as transfer credits. For new student entering Howard University, and upon receipt of the student's official transcript (s), transfer credits will be evaluated by using the following criteria.

- Transfer courses must be of comparable content, academic level, and scope to the curricular offerings at Howard University.
- Credit hour (s) assignment to transfer courses will be semester credit hours. If the originating institution is other than the semester system, the appropriate conversion of credit hour (s) will take place by the Office of Enrollment Management.
- Students must have earned a grade of "C" or higher in academic courses in order for the courses to be transferred to Howard University.
- For transfer course credits that are discipline specific, the Office of Enrollment Management will request a review and assignment of the transfer credits by the specific discipline.
- The maximum number of credit hours that can be transferred from another institution is 60 semester credit hours. (Note: Howard University requires that the last 30 credit hours for an undergraduate degree be taken at Howard University).
- Credit hours are transferable to Howard University, not grades. Therefore, grades for academic courses transferred will not be included in the overall GPA of a student.
- All transcripts from international institutions (except pre-approved study abroad courses) must be evaluated by a current NACES member, and must be submitted to the Office of the Registrar via the respective agency.

## **Credit by Advanced Placement (AP) Examination:**

New students entering Howard University may receive course credit for academic courses completed in secondary schools under the Advanced Placement Program administered by the College Board.

- AP scores must be sent directly from the College Board to Howard University.
- AP credit hours are awarded by Howard University according to the [chart](#) . Use this link: <https://howard.edu/registrar/transfer-credit-articulation-agreements>
- In each subject for which credit is sought, a minimum score of 3 is required. However, some departments may require a score of 4 or 5 to receive the transfer credit for an AP examination.

## **Credit by International Baccalaureate (IB) Examination:**

Howard University will evaluate and award course credits for the International Baccalaureate Examination provided the below conditions are met.

- Only HL (High Level) examinations are accepted for transfer credit consideration.
- Students must complete the Full Diploma to receive credit

- IB certificates must be submitted directly to Howard University via the [examination agency](#). High school transcripts are NOT considered for transfer credits.
- Scores of 4 or better on IB exam will result in awarding credits for the first level of the course.
- Scores of 5, 6, or 7 –award first and second levels of the course (e.g. Biology Higher Level score of 5, 6, or 7 and receive credit for Biol 101 and 102).

### **Credit by Caribbean Advanced Proficiency Examination:**

Howard University will award transfer credits as follows for scores ranging from 1-3

- Unit 1 = 1 course in specified curriculum/discipline sequence
- Unit 2 = w courses specified curriculum/discipline sequence