University of Phoenix®

Transfer Student Guide



Thank you for downloading our Transfer Student Guide!

We've helped students like you earn their degree faster by awarding them the credits they deserve. University of Phoenix accepts college credits from over 5,000 accredited institutions. In most cases we can request your transcripts for you — at no cost to you. Think of this guide as your trusty companion covering everything you want to know about transfer credits.

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Whether a student is transferring credits to University of Phoenix or from University of Phoenix to another school, the transferability of credit is at the discretion of the receiving institution. For additional transfer information, please see our Annual Academic Catalog.

WHO WE ARE:

Meet the leaders committed to our transfer students' success

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Request information and we'll reach out directly.
Call: 844-710-0516 | **enrollment@phoenix.edu**

Devin Andrews, VP of Admissions



Dedicated to helping adult learners reach their educational goals, Devin joined the University in 1999 as an academic counselor and has held the role of Vice President of Admissions and Evaluation since 2015.

Over two decades, Devin has taken on various administrative and executive roles. She's led university-wide projects, such as increasing credit for prior learning and implementing cost-saving measures for students.

Devin's team and what they do

Our team carefully reviews every transcript. They work quickly to evaluate your credits, which helps you understand how much time and money you could save on your degree.

Nathan Cicchillo
Sr. Director, Admissions and Evaluation
Responsible for college articulation, international evaluation, and prior learning assessment

Terri Tommasone
Sr. Director, Admissions and Evaluation
Responsible for pre-evaluation, domestic evaluation, admissions and transfer policies

WHO WE SERVE:

Facts about our transfer students

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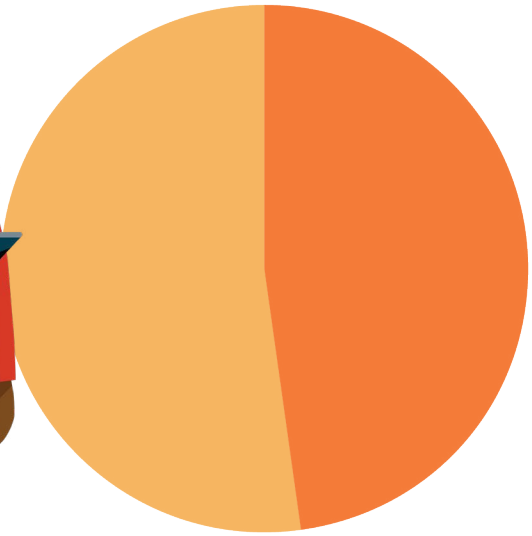
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About University of Phoenix transfers

Students with an Associate of Arts from an approved and accredited institution can have all **60 credits** transfer into a bachelor's degree.



Nearly half of our students are transfer students



48% - transfer students

52% - non-transfer students



WHY CHOOSE US:

10 reasons to transfer to University of Phoenix

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1 Our undergraduate programs generously accept eligible prior college credits

When it comes to going back to school, the only thing better than a fresh start is a head start.

That's why we'll work with you to transfer your previous eligible college credits. In fact, you can transfer up to **87** prior eligible credits for many of our programs, which means you could be 70% of the way to a bachelor's degree.

Our Program Finder can help you pick the program that is best for you based on your education and career goals.

Here are just a few of our most transfer-friendly programs in growing fields that you may be interested in:

- Bachelor of Science in Management
- Bachelor of Science in Health Management
- Bachelor of Science in Information Technology
- Registered Nurse to Bachelor of Science in Nursing (RN to BSN)



Did you know? You may be able to complete your RN to BSN degree online in 14 months and for less than $14K by transferring an Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN) or eligible associate degree from a school with approved accreditation.

From a Phoenix

"As soon as I reached out to an enrollment representative, I already knew that this is a place that I should be. I just told them what schools I went to, and ... they requested all the transcripts and made the transfer process easy on me.

Mae W.
BSHM 2023

2 Easily transfer credits from your associate degree

See which transfer option is best for you.

Associate degree graduates

If you have an associate degree from an accredited university or community college, you're off to a great start. We take the hassle out of getting those credits transferred so you can keep going on your educational goals.

In fact, with your associate degree, you could complete your bachelor's at University of Phoenix in as little as 2 years and for under $25K.

Find your program and, if you're transferring from a community college, see our community college transfer tuition rate.

Did you know? We work with 350+ community colleges to streamline our transfer process. This helps you avoid repeating coursework, saving you time and money.

3+1 Transfer pathway

If you've taken three years of general course requirements at select community colleges you could finish up a bachelor's degree in health management, business management, nursing or IT in about a year. We call it our 3 + 1 transfer pathway. And it's simple, just like the equation.

With the 87 credits you'll bring in from your community college, you can complete your bachelor's degree in as little as 14 months and for $12,200. (This includes our community college transfer rate savings of $144 per course, which shaves $1,440 off your bachelor's degree.)

3 We offer a special scholarship for transfer students with 12-60 credits

Now's the time to finish what you started. Simply transfer in 12-60 credits, and you qualify for the **Transfer Scholarship** — which has a maximum value of $3,000, applied over a set number of courses, if you maintain eligibility. Or you'll get the best savings you qualify for.

How to apply for a University of Phoenix scholarship

Applying is simple, with no essays required! You can apply for more than one scholarship, and you'll be awarded the highest-value scholarship you qualify for.

1. **Apply to be a student at University of Phoenix if you haven't already. Start your application on our College Admission Requirements page with detailed instructions.**
2. **Choose an upcoming start date.**
3. **Visit phoenix.edu/scholarships.**
4. **Fill out the scholarship application.**
5. **Submit your scholarship application. If awarded, you'll hear within 6 weeks of the application deadline.**

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We remove obstacles for transfer students to get started

University of Phoenix requests transcripts for students at no cost whenever possible and accepts eligible credits from 5,000+ accredited institutions. Students can get a preliminary transfer credit evaluation at no additional cost. Talk to an enrollment representative to get started.

See if your school is on the list.



Jahmar R.
BSCPSS 2021

5 We offer many time- and money-saving options

It makes sense to transfer eligible credits for work you've already done. For every 3 credits you transfer to your degree program, you'll save:

$1,364
in undergrad programs

$2,289
in master's programs

$2,640
in doctoral programs



But your savings may not stop there. You may be eligible for more credit than you think through national testing, military experience or other time- and money-savings opportunities.

Credit for relevant work and life experience

Your trainings, certifications and other things you've learned at work or in the military — or experiences you've gained in life — may count as credit toward your degree.

You can complete a Prior Learning Assessment with us to see if your experiences can give you a head start on your degree — at absolutely no cost to you.

For additional information, speak to an enrollment representative at 844-710-0516 or visit our tuition page.

Did you know? Students with eligible credits and relevant experience on average saved $11k and 1 year off their undergraduate degree. Graduate students could potentially save up to $6,800 and 9 credits off their master's degree.

5 We offer many time- and money-saving options (continued)

Alternative credit providers

You can reduce your out-of-pocket expenses by taking lower-cost, self-paced, online general education and elective courses through University-approved learning partners StraighterLine, Sophia Learning and Study.com.

Other savings options

We have many other saving opportunities, including:

- Scholarships
- Employer tuition benefits
- National testing programs
- Competency-based degrees
- Direct assessment programs

Explore all the ways to save with our Savings Explorer® tool.



Did you know? Four of our doctoral programs allow you to waive a maximum of 27 doctoral-level credits from other institutions that are similar in curriculum and credit value.

5 more reasons to choose University of Phoenix

Balance

We offer flexible programs designed for busy adults, with courses focusing on one 5- to 6-week course at a time and a 24/7 online classroom.

Career Services for Life

Through our Career Services for Life® commitment, current students and graduates have access to career coaching, resumé building and interview prep for life.

Tuition Guarantee®

Enjoy one flat tuition rate from the moment you enroll until the day you graduate from your program.

Real-world faculty

Learn from professionals with real-world experience in various fields.

Alumni network

Join a vibrant community of Phoenix alumni.



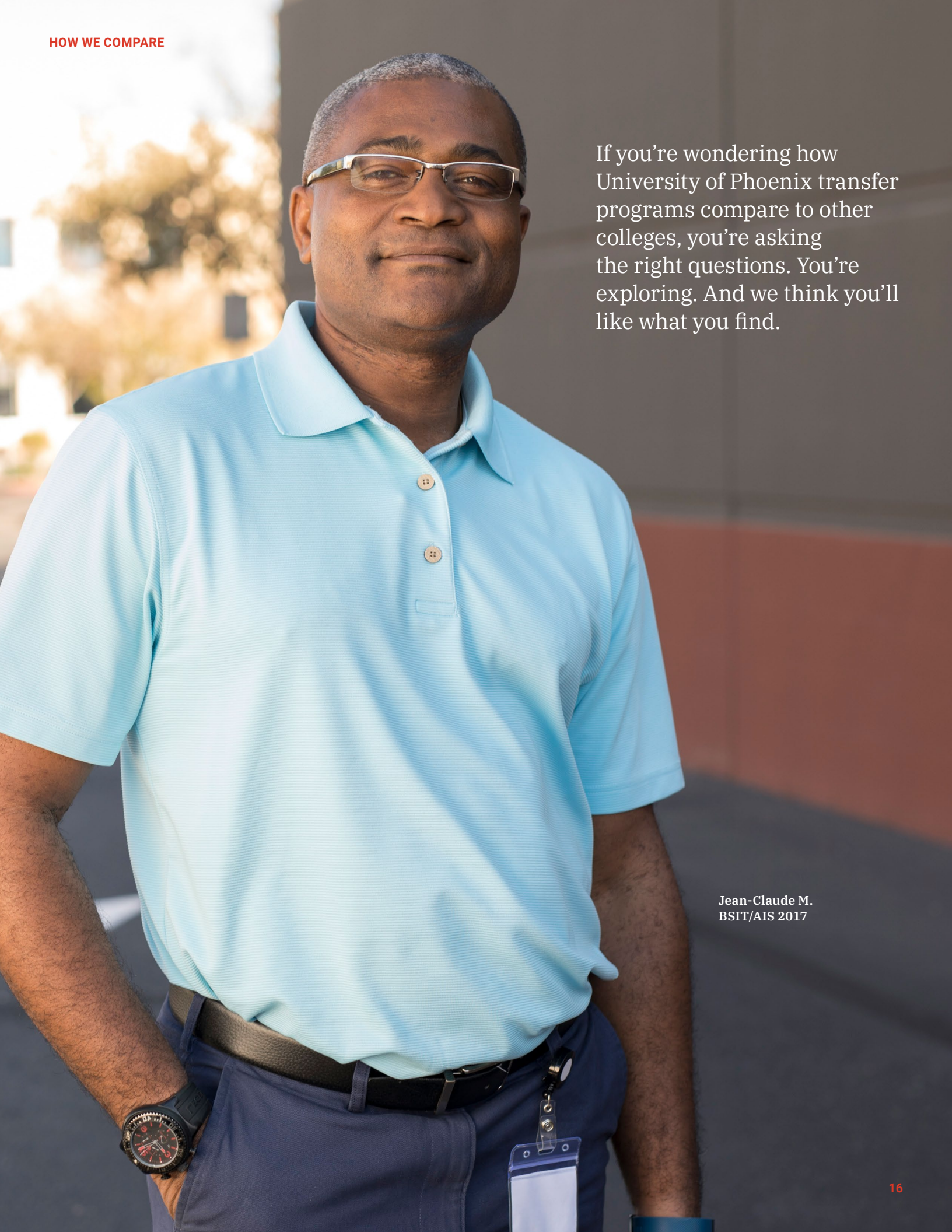
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HOW UNIVERSITY OF PHOENIX COMPARES TO OTHERS:

See how we stack up against the competition

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If you're wondering how University of Phoenix transfer programs compare to other colleges, you're asking the right questions. You're exploring. And we think you'll like what you find.

Jean-Claude M.
BSIT/AIS 2017

How does University of Phoenix compare to the competition?

We encourage you to see how we stack up against other schools you're considering. Go ahead, do your "homework" by researching other schools and filling out the chart.

	University of Phoenix	College B	College C
Institutionally accredited*	✓		
Scholarship for transfer students	✓		
Programs that are transfer friendly in growing areas like business, IT, healthcare and nursing	✓		
Accepts up to 87 prior college credits, which covers 70% of your degree for many programs	✓		
Special tuition rate for associate degree graduates**	✓		
Requests your transcripts at no cost to you, when possible	✓		
Accepts prior college credits from 5,000+ accredited institutions	✓		
Offers credit for relevant work/life experience	✓		
Programs that feature one course at a time	✓		
Offers a savings explorer tool that helps you understand potential savings	✓		

* University of Phoenix has been continually accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC), hlcommission.org, since 1978.
**Except competency-based programs.

Providing accredited higher education for 45+ years

Accreditation ensures higher education institutions meet acceptable quality standards. We stand behind your education with our history of achieving that benchmark.

Institutional accreditation

Accreditation is an independent evaluation of educational quality and rigor.

University of Phoenix is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (hlcommission.org), an institutional accreditation agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education. University of Phoenix has been continually accredited by the Higher Learning Commission since 1978.

The Higher Learning Commission (HLC) is recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA), which is a nonprofit organization focused on promoting academic quality through formal recognition of higher education accrediting bodies. HLC's CHEA recognition was reaffirmed in 2015.

What it means for our students:

You'll receive an education that meets recognized quality standards.



Programmatic accreditation

Some University of Phoenix programs carry specialized (or programmatic) accreditation. Programmatic accreditation represents an additional level of external peer evaluation and quality assurance that applies to specific programs within an institution. This type of accreditation focuses on how a program prepares students for a specific field and how it leads to professional practice.

What it means for our students:

Programmatic accreditation demonstrates that programs meet certain quality standards set by the accreditor. Learn more about our programmatic accreditation.

WHAT OTHERS ARE ASKING:

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

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FAQs

What is the cost of a course?

UNDERGRAD		MASTER'S		DOCTORAL	
Cost per credit	$398	Cost per credit	$698	Cost per credit	$810
Credits per course*	x3	Credits per course*	x3	Credits per course*	x3
Course resource fee	+170	Course resource fee	+195	Course resource fee	+210
Estimated cost per course		**Estimated cost per course**		**Estimated cost per course**	
$1,364 / course		**$2,289** / course		**$2,640** / course	

*Courses are typically 3 credits, but can range from 1-8 credits.

The cost of your full program of study will vary depending on the number of credits required after accounting for transfer credits, your relevant experience, and other alternate credit options. Additionally, some programs have additional costs, such as background checks, health screenings, or professional exam fees that are paid to third parties. For additional information, speak to an enrollment representative at 844-710-0516.



How do I know if my credits will transfer?

Before you even apply to University of Phoenix you can request a preliminary transfer credit evaluation based on your unofficial transcripts. This will give you an idea of how your prior college credit may apply to your selected program. Of course, this is just an estimate. We can't guarantee your credits will transfer until you have applied to the University and we have examined your official transcripts.

Will all of my credits transfer, or only certain ones?

It depends. Credit transfer evaluations take a number of factors into consideration, including your grades/scores, the accreditation status of your previous school, and whether a previously completed course fulfills your current program requirements.

Rest assured, our team will work with you to help you transfer as many eligible credits as possible.

FAQs (continued)

How do I start the credit transfer process?

Collect a list of where you've completed courses. Submit your application to University of Phoenix. And complete a transcript request form, for evaluation, with your application. In most cases we can request your official transcripts at no cost to you.
Once your transcripts are received, a specially trained evaluator will review your prior coursework — and you'll know for sure what transfer credits will apply.

Is there a limit to the number of credits I can transfer?

Yes. The limits vary depending on the program you choose.
It is recommended you obtain a preliminary transfer credit evaluation before enrolling to help understand how many credits may apply toward your program.

Different programs have different transfer limits. Typically, bachelor's degrees are limited to 87 transfer credits, but we do offer programs that accept up to 90 transfer credits. Check with a University representative regarding transfer credits permitted for your program of choice.

My credits are really old (went to school a long time ago), will they still transfer?



The good news is that college credits typically do not expire and we'll work with you to make sure you get all the credit you deserve. However, completed credits may not always apply to specific courses needed for a particular program, and institutional policy limitations may limit the number of credits that can be applied.

It is recommended that all transcripts be reviewed to see what credits may be applied for potential credit to your program.
An enrollment representative can help you get started on a preliminary transfer credit evaluation.

FAQs (continued)

How long will it take for my transfer credits to be evaluated?

Once we receive all your official transcripts and you have met all admissions criteria, your transfer credits will be evaluated. This process, from transcript order to transcript evaluation, typically takes approximately 30 days to complete.

That said, we'll offer you a pre-evaluation within 5-7 days so you'll get an early understanding of what may be eligible for transfer.

Are there specific GPA requirements for transferring credits?

Transfer credits are any college-level courses completed with an acceptable grade, which is typically a C- or better, but may vary between program and program levels. Transfer credits come from a degree-granting, accredited institution and are applied to your desired University of Phoenix program.

Are there any fees associated with transferring credits?

You don't pay to transfer college credits. In most cases, we can request your official transcripts from prior institutions for you, at no cost to you, saving you time and money. In some cases, institutions may require you to make the request directly.

Will my grades transfer along with the credits?

The credits are transferred, but the grades are not. Your GPA will be determined by the credits earned at University of Phoenix.

Do I need to be officially admitted to the University of Phoenix before I can transfer credits?

If you are transferring to University of Phoenix, your transfer credits will be reviewed at the same time as your admission. Upon admission, all transfer credits will be viewable on your student website.

FAQs (continued)

What types of credit transfers might apply to my program?

There are many types of credit transfers that might apply! For prior coursework, our evaluators will look at the type of degree-granting institution you attended. They'll look for things like the institution's accreditation status and degree-level offerings (the institution must offer associate degrees or higher).

Other credit transfers might result from past military training (e.g., American Council on Education) credit recommendations.

Credit you earned through a national testing program may also be transferable, depending on your grades/scores. These include:

- College Level Examination Program (CLEP®)
- Excelsior College Exams
- Berlitz® Language Evaluations
- National League of Nursing exams (NLN)
- Advanced Placement examinations (AP)
- Defense Language Proficiency Tests (DLPT)
- DSST® exams

Finally, trainings, certifications and other things you've learned at work — or in life — may count as credit toward your degree. Our Prior Learning Assessment (PLA) department can help you assess potential credits. All you have to do is complete a Prior Learning Assessment once you're admitted to University of Phoenix.

For more information, download our **Academic Catalog**.

What information is required to get transfer credit?

The University must receive official transcripts, mark sheets and documents that are originals from the issuing institution. Documents from Canada or the United States and its territories must be submitted in a sealed envelope or via an approved electronic method directly to University of Phoenix. All transcripts that state "issued to the student" are not considered official and will not be used for official evaluation.

FAQs (continued)

What if I attended college outside of the U.S.? How can I transfer my credits?

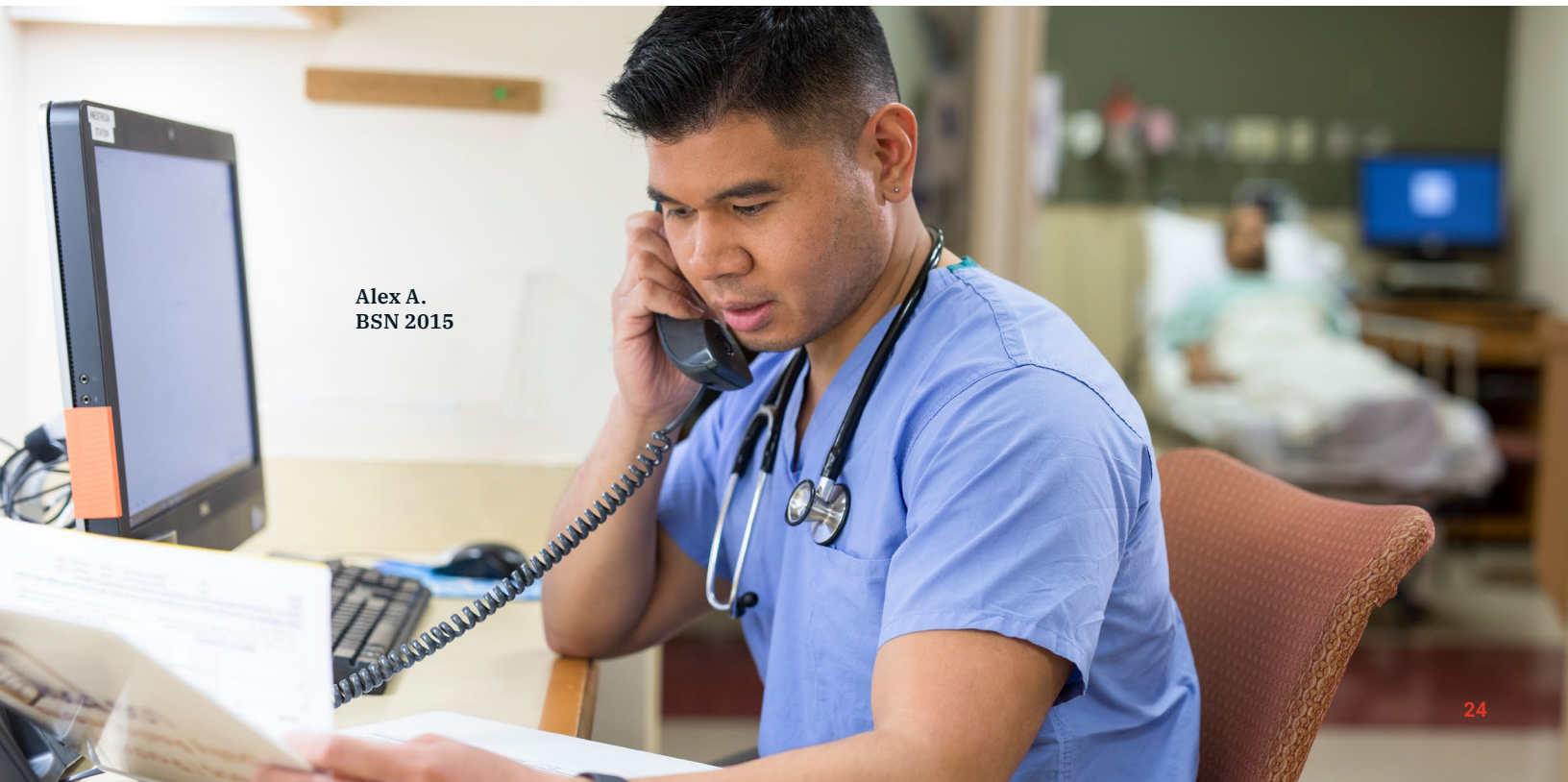
Rest assured, if you've attended college outside of the U.S., we have a comprehensive process in place to evaluate your credits. We do look to see that the institution is recognized/authorized by the country's Ministry of Education.

University of Phoenix will accept copies of academic records issued from international institutions with no time-of-issue limitations. If official academic records are received directly from the institution in a sealed envelope, no verification will be required.

Who will evaluate my transfer credits at University of Phoenix?

The Office of Admissions and Evaluation will meticulously evaluate all official transcripts received, and credits will be awarded according to the Evaluation of Transfer Activity policies.

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HOW TO GET STARTED:

Begin the transfer process

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How to transfer credits between colleges

1. Collect: Collect a list of schools where you've completed courses.

2. Apply: Submit your University of Phoenix online application. See steps below.

3. Complete: Complete your transcript request form, for evaluation, with your application.

Get in touch with us!

Have questions not covered in this guide? Contact one of our enrollment representatives for personalized assistance.

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How to apply to University of Phoenix:

If you are ready to begin your degree, here's what you need to know:

1. Our classes start year-round, so you can start whenever you're ready.
2. You can complete your free application in about 20 minutes.
3. No essays are required.
4. No GMAT, SAT, ACT or GRE scores are required.
5. In most cases, we can request your prior transcripts.
6. Apply for a scholarship.
7. Discover more information on the application process.

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