COURSES NOT ACCEPTED FOR TRANSFER

Developmental, remedial, religious doctrinal, religious training, single religion, outdoor leadership, and student orientation courses are not accepted in transfer. Prior learning credit through vocational/technical courses, internship, cooperative education, life experience, and work experience are not accepted in initial transfer, but exceptions may be granted by the dean responsible for the student’s curriculum. Independent study, special topics and other experiential learning programs that lack catalog descriptions are not accepted in initial transfer but may be reviewed for transfer consideration by the corresponding academic department. Students wishing to appeal transfer credit decisions should contact their school or college advisor. Except for developmental/remedial courses, academic departments make final decisions on transfer credit appeals.

Program pathways and/or courses identified in transfer agreements between CU Denver and any internal/external partnerships in an academic or programmatic memorandum of understanding will be honored in both the content and program eligibility by which both parties agreed, upon a student’s initial transfer. Students who transfer into other CU Denver programs are subject to the additional transfer policies of their receiving school or college, which may result in changes to applicability of credit.

School/College Specific Policy

College of Engineering, Design and Computing

Credit earned from the following courses, College Algebra, College Trigonometry, or Precalculus Mathematics (CU Denver Numbers MATH 1110 College Algebra, MATH 1120 College Trigonometry, MATH 1130 Precalculus Mathematics), will not be applied to the Engineering major requirements, but may be accepted in transfer.

Courses on basic subjects such as mathematics or physics may be acceptable for direct transfer of credit if they were taught as part of an accredited program for all students and were not specifically designated for engineering technology students. Engineering technology courses (courses with technology designations) will not be considered for transfer into an engineering degree program. Students may seek credit for coursework by examination.

Appeals Process

Transfer credit that was not originally accepted by the Office of the Registrar may be appealed through the student’s advisor. Most commonly, a copy of the syllabus will be requested from the student to give to their advisor. If it is an international course, the syllabus will need to be in English. Once the student’s petition is approved, the advisor will request that the course be accepted by the Office of the Registrar.

If a dispute cannot be resolved between the student and CU Denver, a student is at liberty to file a formal complaint with the Colorado Department of Higher Education (https://highered.colorado.gov/Academics/Complaints/).

School/College Specific Policy

College of Arts & Media

If certain courses are not initially accepted by the Office of the Registrar, the student and advisor can discuss the petition process for accepting these courses. If the student’s petition is approved, the advising office will request that the Office of the Registrar accept the course(s) in transfer.

College of Engineering, Design and Computing

All requests for consideration of transfer credit and its application toward a degree must be submitted prior to the student’s last two semesters at the Denver campus.