





## General Transfer Credit Information

### Grades:

- Courses must receive at least a grade of C- (or Pass or Credit must be equal to C- or higher) to transfer.
- No more than 4 semester units of GE can be taken Pass/No Pass. The lower division writing course **cannot** be taken Pass/No Pass.

### Units:

- Transferable courses are granted the number of semester units indicated on the transfer transcript, even if a USC equivalent course receives a different number of units.
- Quarter units are converted to semester units by dividing them by 1.5. 3 quarter units will yield 2 semester units.

### Definitions of Credit

**General Education:** Students starting college study at any college during Fall 2015 or later must satisfy General Education requirements described at [dornsife.usc.edu/2015ge/](http://dornsife.usc.edu/2015ge/):

#### Core Literacies:

GE-A The Arts  
GE-B Humanistic Inquiry (2 courses required)  
GE-C Social Analysis (2 courses required)  
GE-D Life Sciences  
GE-E Physical Sciences  
GE-F Quantitative Reasoning

#### Global Perspectives:

GE-G Citizenship in a Global Era  
GE-F Traditions and Historical Foundations

#### **Lower division writing requirement** (WRIT 130—transfer equivalence of WRIT 150):

Transfer courses that fulfill this requirement are typically the second of a two-semester writing sequence.

#### **Foreign Language:**

Many majors have a foreign language requirement. Please check the ‘Additional Coursework by Major’ section of the “Transferring to USC” brochure to determine whether your major requires foreign language study. Students will be required to take a foreign language placement exam to continue in language courses at USC.

#### **Equivalence to a USC course:**

The Articulation Office is authorized to grant only certain basic equivalences in departments such as Biology, Chemistry, Math, Physics, Sociology, and foreign languages.

### Special situations -- do these apply to your pre-approval request?

#### **Are you taking this course abroad?**

Study abroad programs offered through U.S. colleges and universities are evaluated on a case by case basis. Credit for study abroad courses may be different from courses taken at the regular campus. Indicate on the front of the form courses that will be taken abroad and be sure to provide information about the program, a course syllabus, and state which university will provide the transcript for the course(s). ***Programs offered through international institutions cannot be evaluated in advance.***

Please note that U.S. accredited schools are exempt from this policy. This includes but is not limited to: American University of Paris; Franklin University Switzerland; Richmond, The American International University in London; John Cabot University; Anglo-American University.

#### **Are you taking a course that is offered to any student through distance education (instructional television, online, hybrid, correspondence, etc.)?**

Elective units or general education credits are granted. USC course equivalence, GE-E and foreign language level are not granted to courses taken via any of these methods. If your course in these subjects is available to any student via one of these options, subject credit can be granted after completing the course upon petition supported by documentation that you took a traditional classroom version of the course. Documentation may include a registration summary and your course syllabus; keep copies of all related materials. No advance guarantee of equivalence or subject credit can be made.

*All courses taught in non-traditional settings or time frames require individual review after completing the course; no advance guarantee of credit can be made.*

**I understand and agree to the terms on this page.**

**Student Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_