Transfer Credit Policies

Credit is accepted from regionally accredited colleges and universities in semester-hour equivalents.

A maximum of 90 credits will be accepted in transfer to a Barry University degree program. Of the 120 credits required for graduation (may be more with certain degrees), the last 30 credits and the majority of the major coursework must be completed at Barry.

A maximum of 64 credits will be accepted in transfer from community colleges and other junior-level sources (including all examination programs). Only 6 of these 64 credits may transfer with upper-level status, regardless of Barry University’s course equivalency.

“Transfer credit without equal” refers to a course that transfers to Barry University as an elective credit when no equivalent course is offered at Barry. The course prefix indicates the course discipline. The dean of the school of your program at Barry will determine how the course fits into your Barry degree.

A maximum of 6 graduate-level credits will be accepted toward an undergraduate degree at Barry.

Grades and grade point averages are not transferred and will not appear on the Barry transcript.

Credit is not allowed for developmental, preparatory, or vocational coursework.

Transfer credit is awarded for a grade of C or better. Grades of P, CR, and S are eligible for transfer if this office has a statement from the institution where the credit was earned that such grades reflect work of at least C quality.

Credit may be awarded for higher-level International Baccalaureate exams with scores of 4 or better on a course-by-course basis.

Credit may also be awarded, under certain conditions and scoring guidelines, for the Baccalaureate from France, the German Abitur, and the GCE A-level exams.

Credit will be awarded for CLEP and AP test scores in compliance with Barry’s policy on these tests.

Credit will be awarded for DANTES test programs in accordance with the recommendations of the American Council on Education. A maximum of 30 credits will be accepted from test scores. The credits must be earned before a student has attained junior status and are considered part of the 64 credits accepted from community colleges.

Credit will be accepted from U.S. military service schools in accordance with the recommendations of the American Council on Education.

Credit for formal courses and educational programs sponsored by noncollegiate organizations and evaluated by the American Council on Education’s Program on Noncollegiate Sponsored Instruction and the University of the State of New York’s National Program on Noncollegiate Sponsored Instruction will be accepted in transfer with the permission of the dean of the school into which the credits are transferring.

Credit for experiences such as internships, field placements, co-op education, work experience, and practicums may be accepted in transfer, with permission of the dean, when the credits have been transcripted with a course number, title, number of credits, and a grade.

Credit for prior college-level learning attained outside a formal institution setting but assessed by the academic institution during the student’s matriculation (life experience, experiential learning/portfolio assessment, and credit by institutional exam) are not normally acceptable in transfer. Exceptions may be made with permission of the dean when such credits have been transcripted with a course number, title, number of credits, and a grade.

Acceptance of credits in one school at Barry University does not guarantee acceptance by another school should the student change degree programs.

The dean of the school of the student’s program and the dean of the school offering the course(s) are responsible for course equivalents and distribution of credits to meet graduation requirements.