



MY TRANSFER PLAN

Your guide to planning for transfer to a four-year college.





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It is helpful to choose a career you wish to pursue before choosing a transfer college. This allows you to determine the major related to that career, and search for colleges that offer that major.

STEP 1 Select Your Transfer School Click on  Searching for a College

My transfer school will be _____

Other choices _____

If you are undecided, explore colleges and gather information!

- Do an online search for colleges:
 - For Maryland public 4-year colleges, visit artsys.usmd.edu.
 - For all colleges in the United States, visit collegeboard.com.
- Click on the *Tips for Finding Your College Match* link for important features to consider when researching colleges that may be a good fit for you.

Need to narrow your choices?

- Arrange a campus visit.
- Attend an Open House event or Admissions Info Session/Tour.
Go to the 4-year college admissions website for dates, and to register.

STEP 2 Get the Details for Transfer Admission

For admission to my chosen transfer college, I need _____ GPA and _____ minimum credits.

Admission deadline _____

Scholarship requirements/deadlines _____

My major requires special admission requirements: yes / no

If yes, minimum _____ GPA; gateway courses _____

Need to find the answers?

- For colleges in Maryland, pick up a *Transfer Information Sheet* from your advisor or in the Counseling & Advising Office (J-201).
- For all colleges, visit their website and look for information under *Transfer Admission* or *Transfer Students*.

Need more help?

- Stop by the Counseling & Advising Office (J-201) for assistance.

STEP 3 Get the Details for Transferring Credits Click on  *Transferring Credits*

I know what courses I can take to fulfill general education requirements at my transfer college.

I know what courses I can take to fulfill major requirements at my transfer college.

Need to find the answers?

- For Maryland public 4-year colleges, go to artsys.usmd.edu **and** meet with your advisor. Certain local colleges have transfer admission advisors who will meet with students here at FCC. Check **with the Counseling & Advising Office (J-201)** for visiting advisors and their appointment dates.
- For out-of-state colleges, look for information on their website **and** contact the admissions office and/or major department.

Need more help?

- Meet with an FCC transfer counselor. Stop by the Counseling & Advising Office (J-201) or call 301.846.2471 to schedule an appointment.

Transfer course suggestions:

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STEP 4 Determine How You Will Finance Your Education Click on  *Financial Aid/Scholarships*

Look into financial aid and/or scholarship opportunities if you plan to seek financial assistance for your transfer college.

- For students with financial need, complete the FAFSA at fafsa.ed.gov.
- For academically talented students seeking merit scholarships, look for scholarship information on the FCC Transfer Center website.
- Pick up a *Transfer Scholarship Resource List* in the **Counseling & Advising Office (J-201)**.
- Look for specific institutional scholarships on 4-year college websites.

Possible scholarships for which I might be eligible:

_____	GPA _____	Deadline _____
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STEP 5 Make it Happen (*Moving on to Your Transfer School*)

- _____ Complete and submit your application well before the deadline. Some colleges prefer that you complete your application online.
- _____ If you are trying to acquire financial aid/scholarship, complete the FAFSA form and separate scholarship applications (if necessary).
- _____ Submit a request in the FCC Registration Office (J-101) to send your official FCC transcript to your transfer school (you must also send official transcripts from any other colleges attended). You can do this through your PeopleSoft student account.
- _____ Request on-campus housing or make other arrangements for housing (unless you plan to commute).

Need to find out how?

- Go to the 4-year college admissions website for the application and a checklist for all the things you must do to apply.

Need more help?

- Pick up a *Steps in the Transfer Process* handout in the Counseling & Advising Office (J-201).

ONE LAST THING!

Check your application status with the 4-year school and follow up regarding orientation. Request a final FCC official transcript with your most recent grades from the FCC Registration Office (J-101).