

Transferring International Credits



Do you have post-secondary education from outside of Canada?

Depending on what program you decide to take, you may be eligible to transfer credits (already completed courses) to your education at George Brown. If you are approved for transfer credit, you would not need to take the equivalent course and it would show on your transcript as a completed course requirement.



Why should I apply for transfer credit?

If your transfer credit is approved:

- You would not need to repeat a course which you already have the prior knowledge of and have successfully passed.
- You would be able to use the time during the semester to focus on your other courses and personal priorities.
- You may be able to reduce the overall time of completion of your program depending on the number of transfer credits approved.



What do I need to apply for transfer credit?

If your previous post-secondary education is from outside of Canada or the United States, you will need:

- A comprehensive course-by-course transcript evaluation completed by either International Credential Assessment Service of Canada (ICAS) or World Education Services (WES).
Exception: For education completed in the United States, a general evaluation report will be sufficient. All other countries will require the comprehensive (course-by-course) evaluation.
- A course outline (detailed description) for each course being considered .
- If not in English, official translations must be provided for all supporting documents above.
- Courses from outside of Canada must have been completed in the past 5 years to be considered for transfer credit.
Exception: Courses older than 5 years will only be considered for College English (COMM 2000) and General Education electives.



When should I apply for transfer credit?

Applications for transfer credit are submitted in your Stu-View account after you have accepted a program offer. You can apply and submit a transfer credit application at any point during the semester, for any course affiliated with your program. It is important to be mindful of the applicable dates associated with your upcoming semesters when pursuing transfer credits.



To check the Important Dates page to confirm georgebrown.ca/current-students/important-dates

For Each Intake:

Day 1	Semester begins
Day 5	Last day to add a course to the current term
Day 10	Last day to drop a course (with partial refund)

If your transfer credit application is approved before Day 1 of the upcoming term and you have already registered for the course, you will automatically be removed from that course unless it is a General Education Elective.

Note: General Education Elective courses cannot be automatically dropped. Please ensure you review your Academic Progress Report on STU-VIEW to confirm the General Elective requirements for your program.

If the transfer credit is approved after Day 1 but before Day 5 or Day 10 of the term, you will receive a notification email that you should go back to Registration and drop the course manually.



For assistance with dropping a course please reference information from the Registrar's Office georgebrown.ca/current-students/registrar/contact



What happens if I'm not approved for transfer credit?

You will receive an email to your George Brown email address once an application decision has been made. This email will include the decision along with any additional instructions. If not approved, you will need to take all required courses as outlined for your program. There may be different reasons for not having transfer credit approved:

- The course was not evaluated as equivalent to George Brown's course
- The supporting documents provided were not sufficient to make a decision
- Other factors determined by a faculty evaluator which deemed the incoming course not eligible for exemption

If not approved for transfer credit or not able to provide the required documentation, you could be eligible to receive credit through Prior Learning and Assessment Recognition (PLAR). You may demonstrate that you have acquired the skills and knowledge of a course through formal, non-formal, or experiential learning, such as work, training, independent study, volunteering, travel, hobbies or family experiences.



To learn more about applying for PLAR visit:

georgebrown.ca/apply/how-to-apply/plar

