Transfer of Completed Associate Degrees: Compacts at Public Universities

On December 1, 1970, the Illinois Board of Higher Education adopted the following resolution:

A Resolution on Transfer Equivalency of the Junior-Community College Associate Degree in Baccalaureate Sequences

**Be it resolved** that the Board of Higher Education view the public Junior-Community Colleges of Illinois as partners with senior colleges and universities in the delivery of the first two years of education beyond high school in this state. There is need for full acceptance and recognition of this development throughout the higher education community. In furthering this goal, all trustees, administrations and faculties of senior colleges and universities are requested to declare that a transfer student in good standing, who has completed an associate degree based on baccalaureate-oriented sequences to be transferred from a Junior-Community College in Illinois be considered (a) to have attained junior standing and (b) to have met lower division general education requirements of senior institutions. Each public junior and senior college and university is requested to file with its respective governing and/or coordinating board a statement of the general education requirements for its Associate degree in transfer programs, or its Bachelor’s degree programs by January 1, 1971. These statements are then to be submitted to the Board of Higher Education. A report including this information will be prepared and made available for continuing study.

**Chicago State University**
Completion of the transferable General Education Core Curriculum or completion of the A.A. or A.S. degree, at any participating college or university in Illinois assures transferring students that the University general education requirements for the bachelor’s degree have been satisfied. Chicago State University may, however require admitted transfer students to complete College-specific or program-specific graduation requirements which are beyond the scope of IAI.

**Eastern Illinois University**
Students transferring to Eastern who have received an Associate in Arts (AA), Associate in Sciences (AS), or Associate in Science and Arts (ASA) degree in a baccalaureate-oriented program from an Illinois public community college, Lincoln College or Springfield College in Illinois and/or students transferring from any Illinois university or college who have completed the Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI) General Education Core Curriculum (GECC) are considered as having met lower-division general education requirements. This provision is applicable to student who meet all of the following criteria:

1. Their initial term of enrollment at Eastern was summer 1982 or thereafter;
2. Their cumulative Eastern GPA is 2.00 or higher.

**Governors State University**
The general education requirement at Governors State University provides graduates with a broad foundation in the liberal arts and sciences. All undergraduate degree-seeking students are required to meet the university general education requirements before graduation. Students may fulfill this requirement in any of four ways:
1. Transfer to Governors State University having earned and A.A. or A.S.A degree from a regionally accredited Illinois community college. Please note: the Associate of Fine Arts (AFA), Associate of Engineering Sciences (AES), the proposed Associate of Physical Science (APS) and the Associate of Applied Science (AAS) do not meet this requirement.

**Illinois State University**

Students who transfer with a completed baccalaureate-oriented associates degree (A.A. or A.S.) from a regionally accredited post secondary institution are considered to have satisfied Illinois State University's General Education Program requirements.

**Northeastern Illinois University**

Beginning with admission to the Fall 1993 semester, students graduating with an approved ICCB (Illinois Community College Board) Model A.A. or A.S. degree prior to transferring will be granted junior standing and will have fulfilled Northeastern Illinois University's General Education requirements.

**Northern Illinois University**

A graduate of an Illinois public community college who has not previously attended Northern Illinois University and who has completed a baccalaureate-oriented A.A. or A.S. degree will be admitted to NIU. The student will enter with junior standing and all NIU general education requirements will be considered complete if the student has the following qualifications prior to enrolling at NIU.

1. An Associate in Art (A.A.) or an Associate in Science (A.S.) degree in a baccalaureate-oriented program from an Illinois public community college.
2. At least a C average (2.00 on a 4.00 scale) as calculated by the community college
3. At least 60 hours of credit
4. Good standing at the last college attended.

An Illinois public community college graduate with an Associate in Engineering Science or an Associate in Fine Arts degree is eligible for admission to NIU but is not eligible for the benefits indicated above. An Illinois public community college graduate with an Associate in Applied Science, an Associate in General Studies, or an Associate in Liberal Studies degree is not eligible for the benefits indicated above. These students will receive the same consideration for admission as other transfer students.

**Southern Illinois University - Carbondale**

Completion of an Associate degree in a baccalaureate-oriented program (A.A. or A.S.) from an accredited Illinois public two-year institution. The student will: (a) be admitted with junior standing and, (b) be considered to have completed the University Core Curriculum requirements required for general graduation purposes;

**Southern Illinois University - Edwardsville**

SIU-E is a participant in the Illinois Articulation Initiative. Completion of the General Education Core Curriculum at any participating college or University in Illinois assures transferring students that lower-division
general education requirements for a bachelor’s degree have been satisfied. This agreement became effective for students transferring to SIU-E on or after summer 1998.

**Western Illinois University**

A.A. and A.S. Degree Graduates - All Illinois public community colleges, the Eastern Iowa Community College District, Southeastern Community College of Iowa, Springfield College in Illinois, and Lincoln College possess a written articulation commitment (compact agreement) from Western Illinois University. Additional agreements are being developed with other public and private schools in Illinois and Iowa.

**University of Illinois Springfield**

Applicants holding an Associate in Arts, Associate in Science, or Associate in Arts and Sciences from a regionally accredited college or university are admissible as juniors and are considered to have met the general education requirements.