

## Granting Transfer Credit

Any applicant who is degree seeking and has attended any institution of higher learning will be considered a transfer student. Transcripts will be required from high school (or GED scores if applicable) and from all colleges or universities attended. Volunteer State Community College generally accepts credits from other institutions of higher education. All collegiate level coursework for each transfer student who is degree seeking or seeking a technical certificate, will be evaluated according to the following criteria:

- (1) course similarity within the programs enrolled in at Volunteer State Community College;
- (2) course content equivalent to course taught at the same level at Volunteer State Community College;
- (3) same credentialing requirements for faculty at the transferring institution.

In some cases Volunteer State Community College may request additional information before awarding credit on a course by course basis.

Transcripts will be evaluated prior to, or during the initial term of enrollment and students notified via email of credits awarded as evaluations are completed. Only grades of "C" or higher will be accepted for credit. Transfer grades are not calculated in the Volunteer State Community College grade point average. Credit for courses not corresponding with the curriculum at Volunteer State Community College may be entered on the transcript as elective credits. A student transferring from another institution of higher learning may be permitted to attend Vol State for one semester regardless of academic standing at the last institution attended. Transfer students who have credit for Learning Support courses (reading, writing, math) at non-TBR institutions may receive credit for those courses pending review and approval.

Transfer students who have not completed a college-level English composition and/or college-level math course with a grade of "C" or better will be assessed upon entry to the College following the assessment and placement procedures; \*i.e. , students with valid (less than three years old) Enhanced ACT scores will be screened and, depending on those scores, may be required to take the appropriate placement test.

Transfer students who have not been assessed at a TBR institution or completed any college-level courses in English composition or college-level math will be assessed according to the College's assessment and placement procedures.