

Transfer Planning Guide
Western Illinois University
Elementary Education
Macomb & Quad-Cities Campus

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TRANSFER FACTS

- ❖ Macomb Campus: Transfer students may be admitted to WIU-Macomb campus with 24 semester hours or with fewer than 24 semester hours as long as students meet the freshmen admission standards, have at least a combined 2.0 GPA for all college work attempted from all institutions attended and be in good standing at the last college/university attended.
- ❖ Quad Cities Campus: Transfer students to WIU-QC must have earned 60 or more semester hours (90 quarter hours) of college work with at least a combined 2.0 GPA for all hours attempted from all institutions attended and are in good standing at the last college/university attended to be eligible for admission.
- ❖ Students are required to complete 60 semester hours at a four year institution, 40 semester hours of which must be in 300/400 level courses. An exception is made for students at WIU-QC who completed an Associate of Applied Science degree. Students with an AAS degree are required to complete 50 semesters hours at a four year institution of which 40 semester hours must be in 300/400 level courses. Students with an AAS degree will need additional general education courses that are not offered at WIU-QC.
- ❖ Students who want a seamless transition are highly encouraged to participate in the [WIU/BHC Dual Admissions](#) program. Students may enroll regardless of number of credits they have completed, and will receive the most benefit the earlier they enroll. Students will receive the most advising benefit from the Dual Admissions Program if they enroll for Dual Admission when they first enroll at BHC.
- ❖ Students are advised to apply for admission to WIU early; to start classes fall term, apply as early as **September (recommended deadline is August 1)**; to start classes spring term, apply as early as **August (recommended deadline is December 1)**. [Online Application](#)
- ❖ Students are advised to request BHC Enrollment Services to verify the completion of the [Illinois Articulation Initiative General Education Core Curriculum](#) (IAI GECC) if **not** completing the [AA/AS Degree](#) at BHC. Students who transfer to WIU-Macomb before the IAI GECC is complete or the AA/AS is verified will have the option to complete either (1) the 37 hour IAI GECC plus an additional six hours of any approved IAI or WIU general education course or (2) the 43 semester

hour WIU general education curriculum to include a multicultural course and two human well being courses.

❖All students at BHC are encouraged to see an advisor each term in selecting courses and updating information on their program. Students should be accepted and have a WARD (Western's Audit of Requirements for Degree) report before meeting with WIU advisor. Prior to receiving Ward Report, students are encouraged to meet with the WIU Admissions contact.

❖As part of the entrance requirements to the Teacher Education Program (TEP) in Macomb, students must have a GPA of 2.75 and have completed at least 45 semester hours. WIU-QC students must have 60 semester hours and a 2.75 GPA. The Elementary Education Degree Program is a 4 1/2 year full-time academic preparation program.

❖Students are required to successfully complete the IL Basic Skills Test as part of TEP entrance requirements. Students should have successfully completed the Basic Skills Test prior to beginning their junior year at WIU. Students who have not passed the Basic Skills Test before attending WIU will be advised to do so during their first semester at WIU. Program delays will occur for students not in compliance with this requirement by their junior year. The Basic Skills Test fee is \$60.00 and there is an additional charge of \$25.00 for processing each registration. An additional fee of \$30.00 is required for late registration. Test dates and a separate study guide may be accessed at: <http://www.isbe.net/certification/> or <http://www.icts.nesinc.com/>.

❖Other requirements completed at Western are: a Technology Competency Assessment and an FBI fingerprint background investigation (there is a charge) which will be completed again prior to student teaching. Complete TEP admission requirements may be found at <http://www.wiu.edu/cpep/tep.html>.

❖Students who transfer the semester after completing an associate degree will be guaranteed the previous academic year's undergraduate rates for tuition, fees, room, and board for four years as long as they are continuously enrolled (excluding summers) at WIU.

❖Requirements vary between senior institutions. Therefore, students who may change plans for entering WIU should check with the new institution for transfer requirements.

SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE for students wishing to earn an AA degree at BHC and fulfill basic requirements for the WIU Teacher Education Program.

1st Year, Fall Semester

Notes	BHC Courses	SH	WIU Equivalent
1,2	ENG 101	3	ENG 180
1,2	SPEC 101	3	COMM 241
	PSYC 101	3	PSYCH 100
	ART 100	3	ART 180
3	Life Science Elective	4	Natural Science Elective
	Semester Hours	16	

1st Year, Spring Semester

Notes	BHC Courses	SH	WIU Equivalent
1,2	ENG 102	3	ENG 280
	HIST 251 or 252	3	HIST 105 or 106
1,2	MATH 100	3	MATH 106
	MUSC 153 or 154	3	MUS 190
4	Physical Science Elective	4	Natural Science Elective
	Semester Hours	16	

2nd Year, Fall Semester

Notes	BHC Courses	SH	WIU Equivalent
1	ENG 240	3	LLA 313 (lower division)
5	POLS 251	3	POL SCI 122
1,2	MATH 200	3	MATH 206
6	Math/Computer Science Elective	3	Math/Computer Science Elective
	GEOG 105	3	GEOG 110
	Semester Hours	15	

2nd Year, Spring Semester

Notes	BHC Courses	SH	WIU Equivalent
1, 7	EDUC 235 + PSYC 200	5	EIS 201
8	HPE 260	3	KIN 360 (lower division)
9	Electives	6	Elective
10	Humanities Elective	3	Humanities Elective
	Semester Hours	17	

Total Semester Hours 64

Notes:

If students transfer before IAI GECC or AA/AS is complete, there may be additional hours in general education to total 43 semester hours at WIU. [IAI GECC Planning Worksheet](#) [AA/AS Degree Planning Worksheet](#)

- Grade of "C" or better required.
 - Part of entrance requirement to teacher education program.
 - Life Science Electives: Any BHC IAI L1 course.
 - Physical Science Electives: Any BHC IAI P course.
- Students must have a total of 8 SH of science, and at least one course must be a laboratory science course. The most common way students acquire these SH at BHC is to take a 4 SH Physical Science and a 4 SH Life Science course.**
- Student must pass a Constitution test unless graduated from an Illinois high school.
 - If earning a math endorsement at WIU, select MATH 108 or CS 100.
 - EDUC 235 and PSYC 200 do not need to be taken *concurrently*. A grade of "C" or better is required for both courses individually.
 - The equivalent of KIN 360 may be reviewed periodically.
 - Students who have completed CD 212 prior to fall 2003 will receive credit for SpEd 310 at WIU and will need only 3 semester hours of electives to complete the BHC AA/AS degree. Beginning Fall 2003, students completing CD 212 will receive SpEd elective credit which may be included in the 6 semester hours of elective credit needed to complete the BHC AA/AS degree within the course sequence suggested above.
 - Humanities Electives: Any BHC IAI H or HF course.

At this time the State is using course counting to award middle level endorsements. Currently, the Elementary Education program has enough courses, with the completion of C&I 403, to qualify for a language arts endorsement. Students interested in an additional **optional** endorsement and who are aware these hours are not included in the bachelor's degree, may want to consider course selections from the [Suggested Middle Level Endorsement Worksheet](#). Students should confirm with a WIU advisor their course selection.

This guide is not intended to be a contract with WIU. The information of this guide is subject to change; students are advised to contact WIU to keep informed of changes. Final responsibility for

verifying all transfer information lies with the student. Use this guide in conjunction with the [BHC catalog](#) the student will use to fulfill degree requirements.

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