

Transfer Students

Transfer students are admitted to the College if they have a transfer GPA of 2.0 or above and maintained a grade point average of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale in college. Transfer students who do not meet these standards but show potential for success may be admitted conditionally.

Students with previous college experience may, for a fee of \$50.00, have transcripts evaluated prior to making application to the College. This fee will be subtracted from their tuition and fees should they register for classes. This enables students to know which credits will transfer prior to admittance. Students who know they are going to transfer to the College at a later date should contact Enrollment Services to determine transferable courses. This minimizes the chances of losing credits.

Transfer credits are evaluated on the basis of the following:

1. The accreditation of the institution from which the student transfers.
2. The comparability in nature, content and level of credit earned to that offered by College of Saint Mary.
3. The appropriateness of the credit earned in relation to credit offered by College of Saint Mary and the student's educational goals.
4. The age of the credits depending on the major.

The College does not accept grades below C (2.0) for transfer or credits for remedial/developmental courses. Transfer credits are shown in semester credits on the CSM transcript but are not included in the grade point average calculation. Credit will not be given for duplication of courses. Students enrolling in a bachelor or associate degree program must complete 30 of their last 45 hours at College of Saint Mary.

Transfer students are required to take a minimum of 12 credit hours of their major courses at College of Saint Mary. Individual programs may require a higher number of College of Saint Mary credit hours in the major field. It is the student's responsibility to contact the program director for specific program requirements. A maximum of the equivalent of 64 semester hours of transfer credit from accredited community colleges will be accepted toward the 128 hours required for a College of Saint Mary bachelor's degree. Specific program requirements may differ.

The College maintains articulation agreements with several area community colleges. These agreements enable a community college student to plan ahead for transfer to College of Saint Mary. Curricula designed in a specific articulation agreement take precedence over all other program requirements. Articulation agreements are available on the CSM website at

http://www.csm.edu/Future_Students/Articulation_Agreements/