



De La Salle North Catholic
High School

Community College Transfer Guide

Types of Degrees

Oregon community colleges offer five types of Associate degrees. All degrees include at least 90 credits of classes. All associates degrees include classes in writing, math, and general education.

Some are designed specifically for transferring to a four-year school; others are technical and general studies degrees that can only transfer under certain circumstances. Each degree has its own set of rules about which classes you need to take. Colleges call these rules "degree requirements" and they will be a big part of how you choose your college classes.

Transfer Specific Associates Degrees

Associates of Arts Oregon Transfer Degree (AAOT)

What you'll learn: a solid foundation in subjects like writing, mathematics, and science.

Where you'll go: you'll transfer to an [Oregon Public University](#).

Associates of Science Oregon Transfer Degree (ASOT)

What you'll learn: it's up to you!

Where you'll go: this degree is flexible and can give you a good start before transferring to a four-year school. It allows more freedom in course selection than the AAOT, but doesn't guarantee you'll be accepted as having completed all lower-division requirements. You'll need to work with an advisor to choose your classes based on your major.

Associates of Science Oregon Transfer in Business (ASOT - Business)

What you'll learn: a solid foundation in subjects like writing, mathematics, and science.

Where you'll go: designed for students to transfer to an [Oregon Public University](#) and seek entry into a business program. This degree will meet lower-division general education requirements at an Oregon public university. Students will have junior status for registration purposes.

Other Associates Degrees

Associates of Applied Science

What you'll learn: specific skills for your future job. Choose majors in areas like healthcare, business, building, engineering, media arts, public service, and education.

Where you'll go: this degree prepares you to go right to work in your industry.

Associates of General Studies

What you'll learn: it's up to you!

Where you'll go: this degree is designed for students wishing to acquire a broad education, rather than pursue a specific major or career. Because of the flexibility of this degree, it may not fulfill requirements for transfer to a four-year school. You'll need to work with an advisor to choose your classes depending on your academic goals.

Important! Make sure to check in with your University of interest to see which transfer degree they accept.

Declaring your degree, choosing a major and choosing a transfer University

To choose a degree that makes sense for you, first you need to know where you want to end up. Do you know the job title you'd like to have someday? The industry you want to enter? The four-year degree you're going to earn? Maybe you're still thinking - that's okay, there's a plan for you, too.

Here's how to choose the degree that best matches your career goal.

1. How many years of school?
2. Figure out how much school you'll need for your specific career:
 - Research in Oregon CIS.
 - Contact the Career Exploration Center and ask which degree is needed for your career.
3. Meet with an advisor
4. Talk to an academic advisor about which degree is best for you.

Still figuring it out? That's okay. Here are some steps to help in your career/major exploration.

1. Choose a career
2. Review your goal along the way
3. Keep thinking about where you want to go with your education as you take classes. If you find a subject that is appealing to you, contact a Career Center and talk to staff about your goals and options.
4. Don't wait too long
5. It's normal to take time exploring options, but you don't want to stay undecided for too long or you'll spend money taking unnecessary classes. If you're borrowing to pay for school, you won't want to make monthly student loan payments on classes that you didn't need.

Important! Figuring out your major and transfer school is very important to make sure you are working towards the correct degree type. If you are unsure what you want to major in or what school you want to transfer to please make an appointment with the Career Center.

How to Transfer

Step 1: Freshman or Transfer?

Most Universities admit students either as a "freshman" or as a "transfer" student. Your admissions status is based on the number of previously-earned college credits the University will accept. The first thing you need to do is find out what your admission status will be, and what that means at your University.

Step 2: Find classes that will transfer to your University of interest

1. Find required classes at your University of interest. On your University's website, look for a list of required courses. This will usually be in their catalog. You are looking for two types of courses:
 - General education classes. These classes are required for all degrees. Each school has a unique name for this - Oregon State calls it "Baccalaureate Core." PSU calls it "University Studies." University of Oregon calls it "Group Requirements."
 - Program-specific classes: These are classes in special topics for your major. For example, if you are majoring in Art, you may be required to take "History of Western Art."
2. Find equivalent classes. If we have an equivalency guide, it will be in our list of [transfer schools](#). If we don't have a guide, look for a transfer guide on their website. This might be called a "course equivalency table" or a "transfer equivalency guide" - you may have to look under several names. If you can't find one, ask an advisor at your school to create a transfer plan for you. For PSU you can also use the Transferology website to see which classes will transfer www.transferology.com
3. Meet with an academic adviser to make an educational plan specific to your University and major of interest

Step 3: Check with advisor at your future University

Don't skip this step, even if you're pretty sure you are taking the right classes. Every few terms, touch base with an advisor in your future program.

- Ask them to evaluate your transcript (they look at your past classes and tell you which will transfer).
- Ask them to create a transfer guide/plan (a list of classes that will count toward your future degree).

Process for Transcript Request

A transcript is a copy of a student's permanent academic record including all courses taken, all grades received, and all degrees and certificates conferred to a student. When transferring to a four year University you may be asked to provide your official transcripts to verify which courses you have taken at your community college.

Unofficial transcripts

- Unofficial transcripts can be printed directly from college portal.

Official transcripts

Note: Holds on your record may prevent us from issuing your official transcript. If this occurs, you will be notified.

- Requesting online: You can request official transcript through your college portal.
- Requesting by fax or mail: You will need to fill out a request form which is available on your college website by searching for "Official Transcript Request Form." This form will then need to be mailed or fax to your college.
- Requesting in person: Some colleges allow you to request your official transcripts in person. Make sure to bring your photo ID with you when requesting transcripts in person.

Transfer Admissions Counselors

Portland State University

Oregon transfer students from Marion, Multnomah and Washington with last names that start with A through L.

Luke Reyes White Transfer Admissions Counselor

Contact Luke: admissions.luke@pdx.edu | 503-725-8387

Oregon transfer students from Marion, Multnomah and Washington with last names that start with M through Z.

Kelly Craig Stoner Senior Transfer Admissions Counselor

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Oregon State University

Janet Macias Admissions Adviser for Multnomah County transfer students

Contact Janet: janet.macias@oregonstate.edu | 1-800-291-4192

University of Oregon

Brian Stanley Senior Assistant Director for Transfer and Residency

Contact Brian: brian.admissions@uoregon.edu | 541-346-1231

Lewis and Clark College

Karin Dobbins Sherer Transfer Counselor

Contact Karin: transfer@lclark.edu | 503-768-7040

Pacific University

Advising Center

Contact: advisingcenter@pacificu.edu | 503-352-2800

University of Portland

Linda Cannard Senior Associate Director of Transfer Admissions

Contact Linda: cannard@up.edu | 503.943.7949

Linfield School of Nursing - Portland Campus

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OHSU School of Nursing

Megan Jones Admissions Counselor

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Two Year Transfer Plan Credits

This plan is for a full-time student. Depending on your situation, it may take longer than two years - that's okay!

Start of your first year:

up to 18 credits of 100-200 level courses

- Meet with an academic adviser to plan classes and discuss your degree.
- Register for introductory classes as recommended by your placement tests.
- Make a list of majors you're interested in. The Career Center can help you research.

End of your first year:

19 to 44 credits of 100-200 level courses

- Make a decision about your future major. Need help? Experts at the Career Center know which majors lead to the type of work you want to do.
- Make a list of four-year schools that interest you.
- Meet with an academic advisor to choose your associates degree and discuss dual enrollment.
- Go visit potential schools, or talk to a school rep.

Start of your second year:

45 to 74 credits of 100-200 level courses

- Make a decision about which schools you'll apply to.
- Fill out admissions and financial aid forms for your future school.
- Meet with an advisor from your future school about requirements for your major.
- Register for classes specific to your future major.

End of your second year:

75 to 89 credits of 100-200 level courses

- Meet with an advisor at your transfer school to figure out what classes you still need.
- Fill out a Transcript Request form
- Register for classes specific to your future major.
- Go to your graduation!

Ways to Pay Balance at PCC

Payment in Full

You can pay your bill online, by mail or in person by the payment due date. Some payment restrictions apply.

Payment Plans

Most colleges offer payment plans. Payment plans allow you to spread the cost of your education into affordable monthly or bi-weekly payments. Sign up for payment plans on through the financial aid office or your college portal.

Financial Aid

Financial aid loans and grants are available to help with college costs. Check your status in the Financial Aid through your college portal. Review and accept your award by the payment due date, or choose another way to pay.

Oregon Promise

Oregon Promise provides grants for recent high school graduates and GED earners. Learn about eligibility requirements on the [Oregon Promise portal](#).

Chapter 33 Veterans Benefits

Veterans are entitled to assistance with their college expenses. Funds are also available for spouses and dependents. Apply with the VA and certify your schedule with the Veterans Education Benefits Office. (Tuition assistance programs such as Voc Rehab, Go Army, and MyCAA are handled through third party billing.)

Third Party Billing

Many employers and agencies assist students with college costs. To have your bill paid by a third party, formal billing arrangements must be set up and approved by the college before the term begins.

Scholarships

There are numerous foundations and private donors provide scholarships to community college students. If you are one of the fortunate recipients, your donor will send us a check and tell us what the scholarship covers.

AmeriCorps Vouchers

AmeriCorps is a program that provides tuition vouchers for volunteers in service to America. To redeem your AmeriCorps vouchers, you will need to request funds via the AmeriCorps online process.

Tuition Waivers

Some students are eligible for tuition waivers or belong to programs that will pay tuition as a benefit of participation.



Repayment Plans

Repayment is when you pay back your student loans. After you graduate or drop below half-time (6 credits per term), you have a grace period of 6 months. After the 6 months are up, you have to start making payments on your loans. Here is what you need to know about repayment in a nutshell.

1) Get to know your loans

First, you'll need to find out how much you owe and who you owe. You can find the amount of your loans and servicer by going to the [National Student Loan Data System](#). This website stores all the information on your student loans.

2) Start making payments

For each loan you see in the National Student Loan Data System, follow these steps:

1. Go to the servicer's website and set up an account.
2. You'll automatically be set up on the standard payment plan.
3. Make your payments on time!

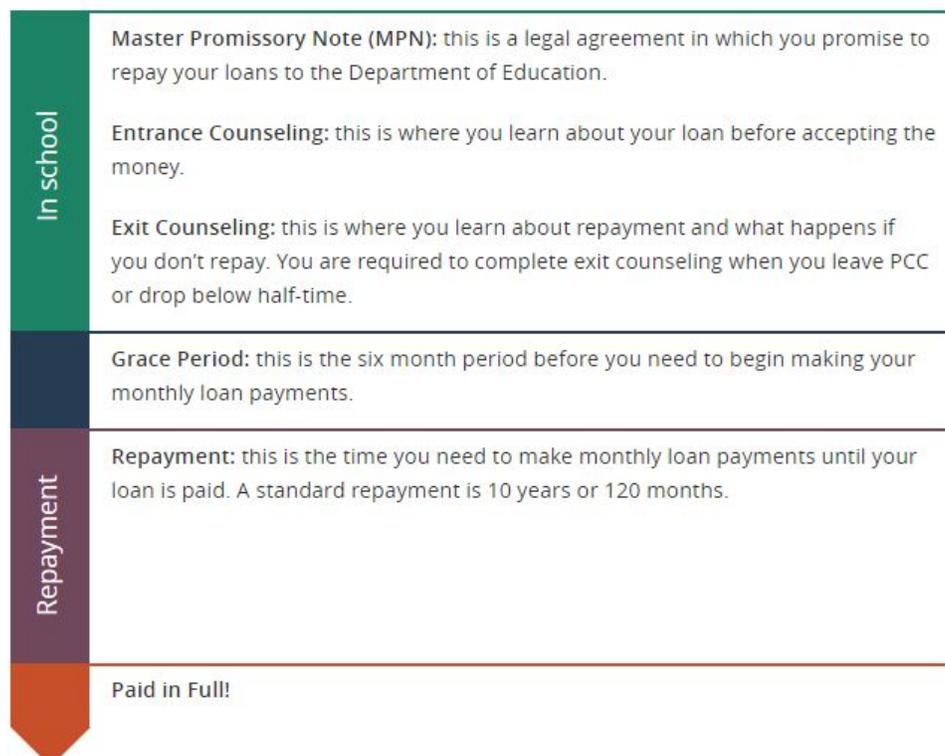
3) Choose a repayment plan

You'll start off on the standard repayment plan, which is a great plan and you can stick with it if you want. However, there are other repayment plans that can make your monthly payments more affordable. The most important thing is that you make your monthly payments on time every month. If you fall behind, you get into loan delinquency.

Making interest payments while you are in school

Most students defer payments until after graduation, but if you can, think about paying the interest while you are still in school. A small payment each month (around \$30 bucks) can keep that interest from stacking up, which means that you will owe a lot less when you graduate.

For example: for a \$5,000 loan, your monthly interest payments would be \$28. If you paid this interest while in school, you would save \$940!



Most Common Transfer Universities and Colleges

Art Institute of Portland

California schools

Concordia University

Eastern Oregon University

George Fox University

Lewis & Clark College

Linfield College

Multnomah University

Northwest Christian College

Oregon College of Oriental Medicine

Oregon Health Sciences University

Oregon Tech

Oregon State University

Pacific Northwest College of Art

Pacific University

Portland State University

Reed College

Southern Oregon University

University of Oregon

University of Portland

University of Washington

University of Western States

Walla Walla University (Portland Campus)

Warner Pacific College

Washington State University - Vancouver Campus

Western Oregon University

Willamette University