



# eiu transfer student checklist

## step 1: planning

- Work with adviser at primary college on transfer curriculum.
- Work with your college's career services office prior to transferring.
- Work with EIU Transfer Relations for pre-transfer academic assessment.

## step 2: visit us

- Visit Eastern and take a tour prior to enrollment.** Student-led walking tours are offered daily at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Visit [www.eiu.edu/~admissions](http://www.eiu.edu/~admissions) or call the Office of Admissions at **877-581-BEIU** for additional information.
- Schedule an appointment to meet with a transfer counselor for an unofficial credit evaluation.
- Be sure to check out one of our Open House programs:  
**Columbus Day** ..... **Oct. 12, 2009**  
**Veterans Day** ..... **Nov. 11, 2009**  
**Presidents Day** ..... **Feb. 15, 2010**  
**Transfer Focus** ..... **April 17, 2010**  
**Summer Program** ..... **July 16, 2010**  
 Visit [www.eiu.edu/~admissions/openhs.php](http://www.eiu.edu/~admissions/openhs.php) for the full Open House schedule.

## step 3: apply

- Apply early! Nine to 12 months prior to enrollment is recommended. For an online application, visit [www.eiu.edu/~admissions/applyeiu.php](http://www.eiu.edu/~admissions/applyeiu.php).
- Have final official high school transcript showing date of graduation sent.
- Have official college transcripts sent after each semester.

### Transfer admissions requirements:

30 or more semester hours  
 2.0/4.0 overall; AND  
 2.0/4.0 from last college attended, OR

24 or more semester hours  
 2.5/4.0 overall; AND  
 2.0/4.0 from last college attended, OR

Fewer than 30 with 2.0 or fewer than 24 with 2.5  
 2.0/4.0 overall; AND  
 2.0/4.0 from last college attended; AND  
 Meet one of the following:

#### high school

class rank	or GPA	and	ACT	or	SAT
Upper 1/4	or 3.0/4.0	and	18	or	860
Upper 1/2	or 2.5/4.0	and	19	or	910
Upper 3/4	or 2.25/4.0	and	22	or	1020

## step 4: financial aid

- Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online after Jan. 1 for the next calendar year at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov).
- EIU's priority filing date for financial aid is March 1.
- Mid-year transfers call **1-800-4 FED AID**.
- Eastern's Title IV code for FAFSA is **001674**.

## step 5: housing

- Apply for on-campus housing nine to 12 months prior to enrollment date at [www.eiu.edu/~housing/ps\\_assign.php](http://www.eiu.edu/~housing/ps_assign.php).
- If living off campus, begin housing search six to nine months prior to enrollment.

## step 6: career services

- Once admitted, contact Career Services at 217-581-2412 or [www.eiu.edu/~careers](http://www.eiu.edu/~careers) to get assistance with major selection, internship placement, job shadowing, resume writing and more.
- Begin preparing for the upcoming EIU Job Fair prior to enrollment.

## step 7: register

- Receive Transfer Debut invitation and register online for the earliest date possible.
- Attend Transfer Debut (orientation/advisement/registration) during the semester prior to enrollment in order to ensure maximum options for class scheduling.
- Register for classes the semester prior to enrollment.
- Visit [www.eiu.edu/~nsp](http://www.eiu.edu/~nsp) for more information.
- Submit final official college transcripts from last institution attended.

## step 8: you're here!

- Move in to residence hall or apartment one week prior to the beginning of classes.
- Check in and attend Prowl (fall transition program) the Friday prior to the first day of classes.
- Pick up textbooks at Textbook Rental Service three days prior to the beginning of classes.
- Participate in classes, sharing your perspective as a transfer student.
- Get involved and make connections. Start by attending the Transfer Relations evening event.
- Apply for graduation during your junior year to receive a degree audit that includes transfer credit and remaining requirements for degree completion.