

**Columbia College Chicago**  
TRANSFER GUIDE  
2019-2020

Chicago, IL 60605-1996  
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[www.colum.edu](http://www.colum.edu)

Tuition: \$26,090 per year  
Room & Board: \$10,000 per year  
Enrollment: 6,568

**THIS TRANSFER GUIDE CONTAINS IMPORTANT TRANSFER INFORMATION THAT CAN IMPACT A STUDENT'S ABILITY TO TRANSFER AND COMPLETE THEIR STUDIES IN A TIMELY MANNER.**

*The information on this sheet is subject to frequent change; students should contact the four-year school to keep informed of changes. Final responsibility for verifying all transfer information lies with the student.*

#### **ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS FOR TRANSFER STUDENTS**

- There is no minimum number of hours required for admission to Columbia.
- Generally, if a student is in good standing at the last institution attended, admission to Columbia is assured. Contact the Admissions Office for more detailed information.
- Columbia and Harper have articulation agreements in Fashion Design and Fashion Merchandising.

#### **TRANSFER CREDIT**

Transfer courses must be completed with a C grade or better and must be similar or equivalent in content to those offered by Columbia. Grades of D and higher are accepted for IAI GECC coursework. All transfer students will receive an official transcript evaluation as part of the admissions process and all admission decisions are made by Columbia.

- 75 total credits will be accepted from any combination of regionally accredited two-year and four-year institutions, advanced placement, CLEP, military and/or Life Experience.
- All students must complete at least 45 credit hours at Columbia with the final 12 credits needed for graduation taken at Columbia College Chicago.

#### **APPLICATION**

Students have the option to either fill out the Columbia Application or the Common Application.

#### **Both applications require:**

- Two brief essays
- \$50 application fee (\$100 for International applicants). Fee waivers are available for qualified students
- High School transcripts (only for students who have earned fewer than 24 graded, transferable hours)
- All official college transcripts

#### **Highly suggested:**

- ACT and/or SAT
- Portfolio of creative/artistic work (required for some scholarships)

#### **ILLINOIS ARTICULATION INITIATIVE (IAI)**

Effective fall 2014, Columbia College Chicago participates in the Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI) as a receiving institution. The IAI is a statewide agreement that allows transfer students coming from participating Illinois institutions who meet certain criteria to complete the General Education Core Curriculum (GECC) in lieu of the Columbia College Chicago Liberal Arts and Sciences Core. Transfer students who are accepted to Columbia College Chicago and who meet at least one of the following criteria will be eligible for the IAI:

1. Earned Associate's degree from a participating Illinois institution
2. Completion of the GECC package at a participating Illinois institution
3. Completion of 30 transferable credits from one or more participating Illinois institutions

Students who meet 1. or 3. above who have not yet completed the GECC package will be permitted to do so while enrolled at Columbia College Chicago. In the event that the Columbia College Chicago Liberal Arts and Sciences Core leads to faster degree completion, the student may choose it instead of the GECC.

Transfer students who complete the GECC package in lieu of Columbia College Chicago's Liberal Arts and Sciences Core must still complete the following college-wide degree requirements, which may or may not be fulfilled in transfer:

- 9 credits of 200-level or higher Essential Liberal Arts and Sciences courses, and
- 6 credits of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion designated courses, and
- 3 credits of Communication, Business, and Technology designated coursework

Transfer students entering Columbia College Chicago from participating Illinois institutions with 29 or fewer transferrable credits are required to complete the full Columbia Core Curriculum.

### **APPLICATION DEADLINES.**

Fall Term:	Priority – January 15
Spring Term:	December 14
Summer Term:	May 1

### **TRANSFER SCHOLARSHIPS**

Columbia offers significant scholarships based on grade point average (GPA), talent, and financial need. The scholarships are generally renewable, and you can be awarded multiple scholarships. There are no separate applications for most scholarships. The Fall-only Artistic Talent Scholarships require a portfolio review. You may upload your portfolio and make any changes to it until 11:59 PM on January 15<sup>th</sup>. Columbia also offers an additional \$1000 per year Phi Theta Kappa Scholarship to transfer students that are proven members of PTK (must be on official Harper transcript)

Additional scholarships outside of Columbia College Chicago are available and can be found at <https://www.colum.edu/student-financial-services//scholarships/external-scholarships.html>

### **ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE**

For assistance with the transfer process, contact Student Development A in A-364 (847-925-6220).

**Columbia College Chicago  
Liberal Arts and Sciences Core Curriculum Requirements**

Below is the Columbia College Chicago Liberal Arts and Sciences Core Curriculum. Students can opt to complete the Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI) General Education Core Curriculum (GECC), Groups 1-5 of Harper's 1998 or later AA degree (1998-2015 AS Degree) in lieu of this curriculum. By completing the IAI GECC, students will have met the general education requirements of Columbia College Chicago. Individual majors may require additional course work for admission and/or additional general education course work for graduation. Students transferring with the IAI GECC must still fulfill the requirements below in gray. Final decisions regarding the acceptance of credit rest with Columbia College Chicago.  
**Must be completed with a 2.0 GPA in the Core courses to be eligible for certification on transcript.**

Columbia College Chicago		Harper College
<b>Communication</b>	<b>6 hrs.</b>	<b>Communications</b>
Writing and Composition I		ENG 101 & 102 (Grade of C required in each)
Writing and Composition II		
<b>Mathematics</b>	<b>3 hrs.</b>	<b>Mathematics</b>
One course (3 hrs.) in college level mathematics or higher		MTH 101 or Higher
<b>Science</b>	<b>6 hrs.</b>	<b>Science</b>
Two courses of science; one course must have a laboratory component		Any College Level AST, BIO, CHM, GEO, PHS, PHY, GEG 111 or GEG 112, ANT 205;
<b>Humanities</b>	<b>9 hrs.</b>	<b>Humanities</b>
At least one humanities course (3-6 hrs.)		Any IAI designated Humanities course(s)
At least one literature course (3-6 hrs.)		Any IAI designated Literature course(s)
<b>History and Social Sciences</b>	<b>9 hrs.</b>	
At least one history course (3-6 hrs.)		Any College-Level IAI designated History course(s)
At least one social science course (3-6 hrs.)		Any College-Level IAI designated Social Science course(s)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>33 hrs.</b>	

Columbia College Chicago	
200-level Essential Liberal Arts and Sciences coursework (may be completed at Harper)	9 hrs.
Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion designated coursework	6 hrs.
Communication, Business, and Technology coursework	3 hrs.

College wide electives: Any College Level ACC; ART; ATE; FAS; IND; MCM; MGT; MKT; MUS; KIN (up to 4 hours); SPE; ENG 103, 130; LNG 105; SGN.

## PROGRAMS OF STUDY AT COLUMBIA COLLEGE CHICAGO

### **American Sign Language**

American Sign Language-English Interpretation (BA)  
Deaf Studies (BA)

### **Art and Art History**

Art History (BA)  
Fine Arts (BA/BFA)

### **Audio Arts and Acoustics**

Acoustics (BS)  
Audio Design & Prod (BA)  
Live and Installed Sound (BA)  
Music Technology (BS)

### **Business and Entrepreneurship**

Arts Management (BA)  
Design Management (BA)  
Marketing (BA)  
Music Business (BA)

### **Cinema and Television Arts**

Cinema Art & Science (BFA)  
Filmmaking (BA)  
Interdisciplinary Documentary (BA)  
Television (BA)  
Television Executive Producing & Entrepreneurship (BFA)

### **Communication**

Advertising (BA)  
Communication (BA)  
Journalism (BA)  
Photojournalism (BA)  
Public Relations (BA)  
Radio (BA)  
Social Media and Digital Strategy (BA)

### **Dance**

Dance (BA/BFA)

### **Design**

Graphic Design (BA/BFA)  
Illustration (BA/BFA)  
Interior Architecture (BFA)

### **English and Creative Writing**

Creative Writing (BA)  
English (BA)  
Fiction (BFA)

### **Fashion Studies**

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### **Interactive Arts and Media**

Animation (BA)  
Computer Animation (BFA)  
Game Art (BA)  
Game Design (BA)  
Interaction Design (BA)  
Programming (BA/BS)  
Traditional Animation (BFA)

### **Music**

Music (BA)  
Composition and Production (BMus)  
Contemporary Urban, and Popular Music (BMus)

### **Photography**

Photography (BA)

### **Theatre**

Acting (BA/BFA)  
Comedy Writing and Performance (BA)  
Musical Theatre (BA)  
Musical Theatre Performance (BFA)  
Theatre (BA)  
Theatre Design and Technology (BA)