



University of Wisconsin Stevens Point

“PREVIEW” of Revised Transfer Policies

Effective Fall 2013

This document provides updated information about the **revised transfer policies** for students entering UW-Stevens Point in Fall 2013. With the implementation of our new [General Education Program \(GEP\)](#), our updated transfer policies will greatly benefit students who enter UW-Stevens Point with a completed Associate Degree from another UW System university, the UW Colleges, or the Wisconsin Technical Colleges that offer the Liberal Arts Transfer Program.

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Admission of Transfer Students

Follow the instructions under **Admission Application Procedure** to apply for admission to UW-Stevens Point. You will need to submit the UW System application form and have official transcripts from your high school and each college you have attended forwarded directly to the UW-Stevens Point Admissions Office.

Admission Application Procedure

You may apply for admission to UW-Stevens Point by submitting the UW System electronic application or the paper application form available through the following website: (<https://apply.wisconsin.edu>).

Office of Admissions
Room 102 Student Services Center
UW-Stevens Point
Stevens Point WI 54481-3897
Phone: 715-346-2441
Email: admiss@uwsp.edu
Web: www.uwsp.edu/admissions

Admission to the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point is competitive. Our Office of Admissions reviews all transfer applicants on an individual basis, considering both academic and non-academic factors. We pay particular attention to college-level course work you have completed, including your cumulative grade point average, the rigor of your course work, and grade trends and patterns. We also consider non-academic factors that demonstrate how you will enrich our campus community, including your extracurricular and employment experiences, personal characteristics and accomplishments, special talents and abilities, and life circumstances. While non-academic factors are considered, they will not make an academically weak applicant admissible.

Due to enrollment limits, admission regulations for transfer students are subject to change at any time.

For further information regarding admission eligibility and enrollment, please contact the Admissions Office, Room 102, Student Services Center, 715-346-2441. www.uwsp.edu/admissions.

Transferring Credit to UW-Stevens Point

To transfer credits you have earned at another institution to UW-Stevens Point, ask each college you have attended to send an official transcript of your credits to UW-Stevens Point's Admissions Office. The Admissions Office determines whether credits earned at another institution will transfer to UW-Stevens Point and how those credits may apply toward the UWSP General Education Program requirements.

Please note the following in regard to credit transfer:

- An official evaluation of your transfer credits will be completed after you are admitted on a final basis and have confirmed your intention to enroll at UWSP.
- Credit is generally awarded for college-level courses completed with grades of D or higher at institutions accredited by a regional or national accrediting organization recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA). Courses must be similar in nature, level and content to course work in our undergraduate curriculum. Continuing education courses and courses that are remedial, technical, vocational or doctrinal in nature are not transferable.
- The appropriate academic department will determine which credits apply to your major and minor.
- We accept a maximum of 72 credits from two year colleges. You will receive lower division (100-200 level) credit for any of these courses. Exceptions can be granted by the appropriate dean. (There is no limit on credits accepted from four year universities.)
- Credits transferred from other institutions are not used in calculating the UW-Stevens Point grade point average. The UW-Stevens Point grade point average is determined only by credits and grade points earned at UWSP. However, transfer credits and grades ARE included in the calculation of the grade point average in most majors and minors and in the determination of graduation honors.
- If your previous institution awarded "split" grades (AB, BC, etc.), those grades will appear on your UW-Stevens Point degree progress report as follows: AB = B+, BC = C+, CD = D+.
- To graduate from UW-Stevens Point, you must **earn at least 30** of the total number of credits required for graduation in residence at this university.

Transferring from another UW System Institution or Wisconsin Technical College System with a Completed Bachelor or Associate Degree

If you earned an approved bachelor or associate degree from another UW System institution or an approved associate degree from one of the Liberal Arts Transfer programs at Madison Area Technical College, Milwaukee Area Technical College, Chippewa Valley Technical College, Western Wisconsin Technical College, or Nicolet Technical College, you will automatically satisfy the UW-Stevens Point General Education Program (GEP) requirements, except for the Communication in the Major and Capstone in the Major requirements.

Transferring Credit from the Two-Year UW Colleges

You may transfer up to a total of 72 credits in UW College or other two year college courses. You will receive lower division (100-200 level) credit for any courses you transfer from UW Colleges. Exceptions can be granted by the appropriate dean. We recommend that you consult the UW System's online Transfer Information System (TIS) for timely and accurate information on course equivalencies between the UW College campuses and UW-Stevens Point. Access TIS at: <http://tis.uwsa.edu>.

Using TIS you can determine how your UW College courses will transfer and which UW-Stevens Point general education requirements they will fulfill. If you transfer from a UW College and are enrolled continually (excluding summers), you will have the option of observing UW-Stevens Point graduation requirements that were in effect when you first enrolled at the UW College.

Transferring Credit from Wisconsin Technical Colleges

If you have been enrolled in the Wisconsin Technical College System (WTCS) and wish to continue your education at UW-Stevens Point, you may be eligible to transfer credits toward your bachelor's degree in the following ways:

- If you have been enrolled in the Liberal Arts Transfer Program in a participating Wisconsin Technical College, then you may be eligible to transfer up to 72 credits toward your baccalaureate degree.
- If you have earned an associate degree in the Liberal Arts Transfer Program from a Wisconsin Technical College, then your General Education Program (GEP) requirements at UW-Stevens Point will be satisfied, except for the Communication in the Major and Capstone in the Major requirements.
 - *Currently, those institutions within the Wisconsin Technical College System that offer the Liberal Arts Transfer Program include: Madison Area Technical College, Milwaukee Area Technical College, Chippewa Valley Technical College, Western Wisconsin Technical College, and Nicolet Technical College.*
- If you have attended a WTCS institution since September 1, 1985 (*not* in a Liberal Arts Transfer Program), you may be eligible to transfer approved WTCS general education courses in communication, social sciences, behavioral sciences, mathematics and natural science. You also may be eligible to transfer certain technical support or occupational credits if they have been approved for transfer by our academic departments or if there is an approved program-to-program articulation agreement between a WTCS associate degree program that you have completed and a program offered at UW-Stevens Point.
- You also may be eligible for credit by earning appropriate scores on national standardized examinations and/or UW-Stevens Point test-out programs that are described later in this section of the catalog.

We recommend that you consult the UW System's online Transfer Information System (<http://tis.uwsa.edu>) for information on specific WTCS/UW-Stevens Point course equivalencies and articulation agreements, or contact the UW-Stevens Point's Admissions Office, Room 102 Student Services Center, 715-346-2441.
www.uwsp.edu/admissions

Transfer Information System

If you are transferring to UW-Stevens Point from another UW System institution or a Wisconsin Technical College, we encourage you to consult the Transfer Information System (TIS). This online source of information about credit transfer, course equivalencies, academic requirements and general UW System information may be accessed on the Web at <http://tis.uwsa.edu>. TIS is designed to provide prospective transfer students with current information to help you better prepare for transferring. If you are currently a UW-Stevens Point student, you may find TIS helpful if you plan to take a summer course at another UW System institution and transfer it back to UW-Stevens Point, or if you plan to transfer from UW-Stevens Point to another UW System institution.

Transfer Credit Appeal Procedure

Below is the appeal procedure you can follow if you do not agree with the way we applied your transfer credits to the general education requirements.

1. Ask a transfer counselor in the Admissions Office to explain the basis for the current evaluation.
2. If you earned the credits at an institution that is not part of the UW System, submit:
 - a. A copy of the transcript and the UW-Stevens Point evaluation.
 - b. A copy of the course description from the time you took the course. (For example, Iowa State's course description for SOC 105 in 2003.)
 - c. A written request for the action you desire.
3. If you are still not satisfied with our transfer credit evaluation and believe you have sufficient grounds for an appeal, send a written request to the Transfer Credit Appeal Committee, c/o Registrar, UW-Stevens Point. Explain why you feel credit should be granted toward UW-Stevens Point general education requirements. Include copies of the materials listed in 2 above along with the transfer counselor's response. You must file this appeal at least one semester before you expect to graduate.