

Frequently Asked Questions

We appreciate your interest in continuing your education at one of Alabama's Independent Colleges and Universities (AAICU). The Alabama Community College System (ACCS) and AAICU institutions are dedicated to making the transfer transition as easy as possible. Below are some frequently asked questions and responses you may find helpful as you take the next step on your academic journey.

1. What is the 2 to 4 Transfer Program?

The ACCS 2 to 4 Transfer Program facilitates the seamless transfer from our community colleges to selected independent colleges and universities. Transfer agreements developed for the 2 to 4 Transfer Program guide the student through his/her first two years of coursework and prevent loss of credit hours upon transfer to the selected independent four-year colleges and universities in Alabama.

2. Are all independent colleges and universities participating?

Effective July 1, 2010, selected independent four-year colleges and universities have signed articulation agreements. We expect additional colleges and universities will sign agreements soon. For a list of participating colleges, click [here](#).

3. When does the 2 to 4 Transfer Program become effective?

Incoming community college freshmen enrolling as of fall semester, 2010 will be eligible to participate in the new 2 to 4 Transfer Program. Interested students currently enrolled in one of Alabama's public two-year community colleges or recent graduates should contact the selected college directly to determine transfer eligibility. For these students, each participating AAICU institution will determine eligibility.

4. Will AAICU institutions take all of my coursework?

An institution will accept the coursework listed in its transfer guide. If you still have questions after reading the guide, you will need to contact the institution directly.

5. Will I graduate on time?

As long as you follow the transfer guide and do not change majors then yes, you will graduate in the same amount of time as native students.

6. Why do some Area I-IV have more/less hours than in the STARS agreement?

Hours required to graduate from a community college may be accepted in different Areas for individual majors, but all hours will count toward graduation from the independent college/university and you will graduate on time.

7. Who do I contact if I have questions about a specific major?

Each transfer guide has a contact person with both email and phone number.

8. Who do I contact if I have general questions about admission to an institution?

On each transfer guide there is a link to the admissions webpage where you can find additional information and post questions.

9. Can I have a 2 to 4 Transfer Guide for several different institutions?

Yes, but remember – each participating college develops and maintains its own transfer guide. The guides are major-driven by college and unique to them, so you should review carefully the transfer guides for a given major when selecting a transfer college to obtain the optimal transfer of your credits.

10. What if I have not chosen a major?

You can print out more than one transfer guide. However, to stay on track for graduation, you will need to select one transfer guide and complete the required courses for that major.

11. What if I have not chosen a college, but am interested in a specific major?

You may want to print out several guides in the major of your choice from various colleges you are interested in. A comparison of guides that best accommodates the optimal transfer of your credits may help you in selecting a college.

12. How do I get more information about the Alabama Community College System's 2 to 4 Transfer Program?

For more information, review the list of [participating colleges](#) and select a college from the list to review its transfer guide. Additional contact information is provided within each college's transfer guides.