How do I apply for admissions as a transfer student?

Transfers applicants must complete the Common Application for Transfers located at this website. https://www.commonapp.org/. The required essay is included within the Common Application.

Is there an application fee?

The application fee is $75 and non-refundable. If you have a financial hardship you may request a fee waiver by completing the NACAC fee waiver request form NACAC application fee waiver request form for transfer students.

What are the application deadlines?

The application deadline is November 1 for the spring semester and is May 1 for the fall semester. Applying or being evaluated after the deadlines may cause your application to be considered on a space-available basis as more popular majors may reach capacity earlier.

I was denied admissions to UD as a freshman. Can I be admitted to UD after completing one semester at another college?

Generally if you were not admitted as a freshman, you should only apply after completing a minimum of 30 credits of transferable college coursework. However, with only 30 completed credits, the admissions decision will still consider the quality of your high school transcript and SAT/ACT scores. If you do not want your high school transcript and test scores to be considered, complete at least 60 credits before reapplying, or complete at least 45 credits while also enrolled in at least 15 credits.

Which of my current or previous credits will transfer to UD? Is there someone who will tell me before I apply?

Although it is not possible for you to know which credits will apply to your UD major until after you are admitted, we encourage you to access the University's Transfer Website http://www.udel.edu/admissions/for/transfers.html. Before you apply use the Transfer Matrix https://udapps.nss.udel.edu/transfercredit/index.action to see which of your previous courses have UD equivalents.

University of Delaware automatically accepts credits from regionally-accredited (e.g. Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools) institutions. (Credits from non-regionally accredited institutions may be evaluated.) Courses with final grades of “C” or better in non-remedial coursework tend to be transferable. Courses taken as Pass/Fail will not be accepted. Once you’re admitted, your credit evaluation will be available via your My Blue Hen Home custom portal page.

What’s the maximum number of credits I can transfer to UD?

There is no maximum number of UD equivalents you may acquire via the preliminary transfer evaluation. However, UD policy requires that to earn a four-year degree, 30 of the last 36 credits must be taken at the University of Delaware. Certain majors may have additional requirements. For more information, refer to academiccatalog.udel.edu/Pub_ShowCatalogPage.
What’s the minimum college grade point average (g.p.a.) required for my intended major?

Minimum grade point averages range from 2.0 g.p.a. to a minimum 3.0 g.p.a. and specific college coursework for some more competitive majors (e.g. in the College of Engineering and the Lerner College of Business and Economics). We strongly recommend you review the Transfer Criteria by Major document available on the transfer website at http://www.udel.edu/admissions/for/transfers.html.

Just meeting the minimum requirements does not guarantee admissions. You are welcome to list a lesser competitive major as an alternate on your application. However, enrolling at UD into your alternate major does not guarantee eventual entry into your first-choice major. For more information about restricted majors, please review this website http://www.udel.edu/registrar/students/restmajorsinfo.html.

I was admitted as a freshman, does that mean I’ll be admitted as a transfer applicant?

It depends on the major to which you apply and if you have satisfied the minimum transfer requirements for this major. If you meet the minimum transfer requirements and applied before the deadline, chances are good you will be admitted to your intended major. Please review the Transfer Criteria by Major document available on the transfer website at http://www.udel.edu/admissions/for/transfers.html.

I have completed more than 30 transferable college credits but not 60 credits. How will my application be evaluated?

With fewer than 60 credits, please have your official high school transcript and SAT/ACT scores sent to the Admissions Office. The more college credits you have completed, the less important your high school credentials will be in the decision.

Is it easier to get admitted if you attend a more competitive college?

There is no official policy on what defines a more competitive college. Overall, transfer students must be in good standing academically and socially with their current or most recently attended institution. The transfer applicant’s total academic credentials are considered, including previously achieved grade-point index, the type of institution attended, performance in specific courses relating to the proposed field of study, and statement of interest in attending the University of Delaware. If you have completed fewer than 60 credits, we will also consider your official high school transcript and SAT/ACT scores.

My school sent my documents yet my portal page checklist says you did not receive them. Should I have them resent?

If you know a particular document or piece of information was sent to the Admissions Office, please don’t send it again. It may take a few weeks for information to catch up to your application file and thus appear under your checklist. The Admissions Office will send you a reminder if your file is incomplete or missing pertinent information.

Do you offer academic scholarship to transfer students?

Merit money is not available for entering transfer students. However, you will be considered for need-based aid once you’re admitted provided you submitted the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) and designate UD to receive the report. (UD’s code is 001431.) Your need-based package will be
available on your My Blue Hen Home custom portal page. Questions regarding your need-based package should be directed to UD’s Student Financial Services at (302) 831-2126 or sfs-advisor@udel.edu.

When will I receive an admissions decision?

Transfer applicants are evaluated on a rolling basis once all required documents are received. If you have fewer than 60 college credits completed, make sure an official copy of your high school transcript and SAT/ACT scores are sent to the Admissions Office. Also, please send official transcripts from all of your colleges/universities, not just the most recent one. Once we receive all required documents, you’ll be evaluated and notified within 6-8 weeks. In some cases, your final grades in your current semester may be required before a final decision can be made.

I applied as a transfer applicant and would like to change my major. How do I do that?

The best way to request a change of major is through your My Blue Hen Home, custom portal page. Since decisions for transfer students are made on a rolling basis, notify the Admissions Office as soon as you can with any changes. You may also request a change of major after you’re admitted through the same portal page.

May I submit unofficial college transcripts?

While unofficial transcripts and grade reports may be used to determine your admissions status, official transcripts are required before your Transfer Credit Evaluation can begin. The Registrar’s Office(s) of your previous college(s) should send official transcripts directly to the UD’s Admissions Office, not to you. The mailing address is University of Delaware, Undergraduate Admissions Office, Newark, DE 19716.