



Transfer Planning Guide

Dear transferring IHCC student,

This Comprehensive Transfer Planning Guide has been designed to assist you with your transfer. This tool used along with an Inver Hills Counselor or Advisor will ensure that your transfer is smooth and successful! At the end of this guide is a list of a variety of sources for you to use. For individualized assistance with your transfer plan, please call 651-450-3508 to schedule an appointment!

Selecting a Transfer College

Selecting a college it is important to select a college that is the right “fit” for you! This means that the college you select is a place that will help you meet your goals and where you can be most successful. Below are a number of factors to consider in your transfer college selection. Finally, it is critical that you visit the college’s you are considering. *It is never too early to begin this process!*

Factors to consider

- Majors offered (if undecided, see an IHCC counselor)
- Cost of tuition, fees, books, room and board
- Admission deadline(s)
- Admission requirements for your major
- Financial aid and transfer scholarships
- Classes: Day, Evening, Weekend
- Transferability of courses
- Format options (ground, online, hybrid)
- Academic calendar
- Housing options
- Acceptance of MnTC/AA degree
- Pre-major Requirements
- Accreditation (look for “HLC”)

Articulation Agreements

When completing an IHCC degree it is important to know if the degree will transfer as a package which means IHCC has an agreement with the transfer college. If there is not an agreement (or articulation) in place, courses transfer on course by course basis instead of as a package.

MnTC/AA Articulation: The MnTC, a subset of the AA degree, completes the general education requirements at all Minnesota state universities, the University of Minnesota and some private colleges.

AS, AAS, & AFA Articulation: For a list of articulation agreements for IHCC AS & AAS degrees, see: and Inver Hills Counselor or Advisor or go to IHCC.edu > Registration > Course Catalog (see Transfer Options section)

General Education Requirements

[See Transfer Resources page: www.inverhills.edu/counseling]

Select one of the following:

_____ **Minnesota Transfer Curriculum (MnTC):** The MnTC completes the general education requirements at all Minnesota state universities, the University of Minnesota and some private colleges. Currently Augsburg, College of St. Scholastica, Concordia – St. Paul, St. Catherine, St. Mary's, UW-River Falls all honor the MnTC and/or AA degree.

_____ **Transferring without the MnTC:** If you are transferring early or your transfer college does not accept the MnTC/AA package (see previous section) you must follow the [transfer guides](#) and [course-by-course equivalencies](#) specific for your chosen college and major.

_____ **Transferring before completing all requirements:** Select this option if you choose to transfer early or if the major requires an early transfer. On rare occasions, students may need to transfer before fulfilling their general education and pre-major requirements because the transfer major has a rigid sequence of pre-major and major courses that must be completed at the transfer college or Inver Hills does not offer the essential coursework.

_____ **Transferring out of state:** While Inver Hills does have some transfer agreements with out-of-state colleges (such as UW River Falls and University of North Dakota), you will usually need to follow the requirements of your selected transfer college. Our counselors or advisors can assist you with the process.

Pre-major Requirements

[See Transfer Resources page: www.inverhills.edu/counseling]

You must plan for admission to your major, which often has a process separate from the admissions process of your transfer college or university. Without these requirements, you may not be admitted to your major or be ready to begin taking classes for your major. Pre-major requirements are common among education, business, science, technology & health related majors.

Pre-major Requirements include:

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Note: The Associate of Arts (A.A.) degree can be tailored to fit your chosen transfer college or university, including general education and pre-major requirements.

Second language requirements

Completing second language requirements depends on your chosen transfer college and the type of bachelor's degree you will be pursuing. Most second language requirements do not need to be met before you transfer, but must be completed before you graduate with your bachelor's degree. Visit the Counseling and Advising area in the College Center for a list of four-year school language requirements.

Second Language Requirement: _____ No _____ Yes If yes, # _____ semesters

Transfer Planning Timeline

Year 1 (1-30 credits)

- Become familiar with transfer resources in the Counseling/Advising area and their website
- Make appointment with Counselor or Advisor to create a Transfer Plan
- Review application requirements & create plan to make your transfer application strong & competitive
- Review scholarship requirements and set academic goals
- Attend Transfer Fair (Fall term visit days & spring term Student Success Day)
- Talk to College Representatives who visit IHCC
- Schedule appointment for College Visit; Bring your Student Financial Aid Report to your appt.
- Save \$\$ for college application fees
- Check on priority application deadlines for your transfer college & your major

Year 2 (31-60 credits)

- Review your pre-major requirements & sequences to make sure you are on course
- Apply to the college AND major of your choice
- Watch for application waivers during College Application Week (typically in October)
- Complete your IHCC Application for Graduation
- Send IHCC official transcripts if applying to non-Minnesota State campuses
- Complete your FAFSA with your transfer college's code
- Attend IHCC commencement ceremonies & find your IHCC counselor
- Review how your credits transferred
- Remember to send IHCC official transcript after degree is recorded
- Attend orientation and register for classes at your transfer college!

Transfer Admission Process

_____ Complete application; Note some majors require a supplemental application

_____ Submit ALL college transcripts, which must be requested from each college. If applying to a Minnesota State colleges, transcripts are accessed electronically during the admissions process

_____ Submit AP, CLEP and/or DANTEs scores. If applying as a freshman, submit ACT or SAT scores

_____ Complete FAFSA

_____ Check transfer college website for additional information that may be needed

Admission Requirements

Application as Freshman _____ Yes

Application as Transfer _____ Yes

Generally if applying with fewer than 26 college credits or only with college credits earned during high school (PSEO & concurrent enrollment students), apply as a freshman. High school transcripts and test (ACT or SAT) scores are used for admission consideration.

If previous application for admission was denied, attend IHCC to accumulate enough credits to meet transfer admission status. High school transcript and test scores (ACT or SAT) are typically not used for admission consideration.

GPA requirement: _____ College _____ Major

Application Deadline: _____ College _____ Major

NOTE: Early application has benefits and can impact scholarship eligibility, housing options and registration date.

Sources of information

To research colleges and/or academic programs see:

CAREERwise www.careerwise.mnscu.edu (select Plan Your Education)

MCIS <https://mncis.intocareers.org> (**username:** ihcareercenter **password:** ihccstudent)

What Can I Do With This Major? <http://whatcanidowiththismajor.com/major/majors/>

College Navigator: <http://nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator/>

CollegeBoard: <https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/college-search>

Transfer Resources:

Inver Hills **Transfer Resources webpage** www.inverhills.edu/counseling

Transferology www.Transferology.com

Transfer Representative Visits to Inver Hills, Counseling and Advising Transfer Center, 2nd floor of the College Center

Transfer Guides in Counseling & Advising area & on the Inver Hills “Transfer Resources” page

Transfer files in Counseling & Advising Transfer Center, 2nd floor of the College Center

College websites: Admissions information AND Major website (see Inver Hills Counseling & Advising Transfer Resources webpage)

Schedule a **College Visit** at campus you are considering