Student Success Centre

Open Studies: Transition to Undergraduate Degree Workshop

Exploratory Advising
For Fall 2021 Applicants
Today’s Topics

- Admission Evaluation & Requirements
- Transitioning to Degree
- Open Studies Examples & Personalized Plan
- Degree Program Application
- Contact
For most programs:
- 12 units → Transfer
- Less than 12 units → High School

GPA calculated on 12-30 units of academic post-secondary coursework

If have more than 30 units completed – most recent Fall 2020 and back

Winter grades in year of application only reviewed if space available in program after Fall review

Even as a transfer student, must present successful completion of required High School courses

Admissions Office: 403 210 7625, select option to speak with advisor
Where can you find the admission requirements for your desired program?

- English Language Proficiency is required for ALL programs
- Future Students website – Explore Programs
- University Academic Calendar online
  - High School
  - Transfer
  - Adult/Mature
Admission Requirements

Important!

Some programs have additional admission criteria – some criteria depend on student’s admission status

- Pre-requisite courses (Commerce, Nursing Transfer Route, Health Sciences)
- Portfolio (Visual Studies)
- Audition (Dance, Bachelor of Music)
- Previous study (Social Work, Nursing Transfer Route)
- Supplementary Application (Health Sciences, Social Work)
- References (Social Work)

Check Requirements in the [University Academic Calendar](#)
Impact of Open Studies on Admission Evaluation

— What previous education do you have?

— How many classes are you planning to take in Open Studies in Fall 2020?

— Admission Evaluation:
  - If Transfer → Fall grades very important
  - If High School → Complete upgrading Dec 2020 and request transcripts be sent to the Admissions Office

— Meet with an Open Studies advisor to make an individualized plan
Determine your status: How will you be evaluated for admission to your undergraduate degree program?

Have you decided on a program?

Have you got a second choice of program?

Are there additional admission requirements? Due dates?

How competitive is the program for admission?

Missing any requirements and when will they be completed?
Now that you know:

1. Which program you want
2. How you’ll be evaluated and on which courses
3. Your additional admission requirements
4. A rough idea of what grades you need

Let’s look at some examples!
## Example 1

Target Undergraduate Degree Program: **Arts, Undeclared Major**

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Required High School Courses:  **ELA 30-1**    30 level approved  30 level approved  30 level approved  30 level approved/option

Maybe your plan is:

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Remember that competitive averages change yearly! Check with **Admissions** around December for more information on the *anticipated* average for your application year!
## Target Undergraduate Degree Program:

**Bachelor of Science, Chemistry**  
**GPA Required Fall 2021:** X

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**Student Status for Admission:** Transfer Student

**Additional admission criteria:**

*Admission GPA Range Check Admissions*

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**Required High School Courses:**  
- ELA 30-1  
- MATH 30-1  
- 30 level science  
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Target Undergraduate Degree Program: **Bachelor of Commerce**

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**APPLICATION TO UNDERGRAD PROGRAM**

**Fall 2021**

24 units: MATH, STAT, ECON, ENGL

*Admission GPA Range

Check Admissions

Required High School Courses: ELA 30-1, MATH 30-1, 30 level approved*, 30 level approved*, 30 level approved/option

Student Status for Admission: **Transfer Student**

Additional admission criteria:

**18 units: MATH, STAT, ECON, ENGL**

*Admission GPA Range
Fill in your Open Studies plan. **Consider:** program choice, admission requirements, which terms to attend and the number of courses per term.

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Required High School Courses: ________    ________    ________    ________    ________    ________    ________
Open Studies is not a degree program

Application to degree [www.applyalberta.ca](http://www.applyalberta.ca)

Tips for [How to Apply](http://www.applyalberta.ca) on Future Students website

Apply from Oct 1 2020 for Fall 2021 admission

Deadline is March 1, 2021 – Apply Early!!!

Fee waived if applied to Open Studies in same year
Transitioning to Degree

- First and second choice of degree program
  - Second choice should be less competitive than the first
  - Accepting offer for second choice does not affect evaluation for first choice
  - Can apply to a Combined degree through ApplyAlberta, but not to a Double Major, Minor or Embedded Certificate
  - Accept offer of admission on Student Centre, then pay $500 tuition deposit to secure your spot
    - Watch for **deadline** to accept and pay tuition deposit
    - Deposit paid once even if given two offers of admission
— Create Username and Password for ApplyAlberta system
— Complete Profile – demographic info and education history
— Select UCalgary – will be transferred to our side of application
— Add current courses (OS, elsewhere, high school upgrading)
— End date in OS = April 2021
— Accurate End Dates for upgrading or other courses
— No Academic Credential
— Select a first choice program and then a second choice program
— Select Year of Program
— Pay application fee if necessary
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