



Transfer Advising Guide

(For students who enter TCNJ Fall 2025 and later)

Transfer Basics

- TCNJ is on a unit system; 1 unit = 4 credits. 0.75 units = 3 credits
- Max # of credits from a 2-year institution = 62 credits (15.5 units)
- Max # of credits from a 4-year institution OR between a 2-year and 4-year institution = 90 credits (22.5 units)
- Most courses will transfer if a minimum grade of “C” has been earned.
 - Developmental courses will not transfer for credit (Pre-Algebra and Algebra courses are considered developmental at TCNJ.)
- Prior grades will determine if a course may transfer, but the actual grade does not transfer to TCNJ. Transfer coursework will read “T” instead of an actual grade on the TCNJ transcript.
- All transfer students begin at TCNJ with a 0.00 GPA.
- Why a course may not have transferred...
 - Earned lower than “C” grade (or lower than required grade for transfer)
 - Course was completed ungraded (Pass/Unsatisfactory)
 - Course was developmental (lower than 100 level)
 - Student exceeded maximum number of transfer units
 - A final transcript was never received
- This information can be found [in the Academic Bulletin](#).

College Core (General Education) Requirements

IDS 102: Information Literacy (never waived; must complete during 1st semester at TCNJ)

FYS 16X: First Year Seminar

- Waived if:
 - Student has transferred 7.25 units (28 credits) or more prior to attending TCNJ
 - Student has completed an entire first year at a four-year institution, even if the credits do not add up to 7.25 units (28 credits).
 - Student has completed a content-based, full course (at least 3 credits) that serves as a first-year seminar course at a four-year institution. Please contact the [College Core](#) office to have such a course evaluated.

Social Justice

- Waived if student has transferred 7.25 units (28 credits) or more prior to attending TCNJ

Multidisciplinary Perspectives

- Waived if student has earned an AA/AS degree from a NJ community college prior to attending TCNJ

Second Language Proficiency

- Waived if student has earned an AA/AS degree from a NJ community college prior to attending TCNJ
- Visit the [College Core Placement website](#) to view which majors have a second language proficiency requirement.

[This information can be found on the College Core website.](#)