



# The School of Undergraduate Studies University of Texas at Austin

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## 2011-2012 Transfer Guide for Austin Community College Students

### Core Curriculum & Major Field of Study

The Texas Education Code §61.822 guarantees transfer of core curriculum coursework among public universities and community colleges, but degree plans may specify how to fulfill some core requirements. Where possible, students should select core curriculum courses that also satisfy requirements of a major field of study.

**Students undecided on a major** should make their decision as early as possible. Delay in taking major-specific coursework lengthens the time needed to earn a degree, and core courses taken without the focus of a major field of study may later be replaced with other coursework prescribed by the major. This Guide recommends core courses applicable to any UT Austin degree regardless of major and identifies core curriculum areas in which coursework may be prescribed by the student's chosen major.

Prospective community college transfer **students who have chosen a major** should follow course recommendations in one of UT Austin's other Transfer Guides devoted to specific degree programs.

### Fields of Study Available

UT Austin offers a comprehensive range of degree programs in twelve undergraduate divisions:

- School of Architecture
- Cockrell School of Engineering
- College of Natural Sciences
- McCombs School of Business
- College of Fine Arts
- School of Nursing
- College of Communication
- Jackson School of Geosciences
- College of Pharmacy
- College of Education
- College of Liberal Arts
- School of Social Work

Transfer students undecided on a major and with fewer than sixty semester hours of transfer credit may initially enroll in the **School of Undergraduate Studies**, which offers strategic advising to explore degree options. Students must declare a major in an academic divisions listed above by the time they accumulate sixty semester hours, including transfer credit.

Prospective transfer students are urged to become familiar with the University's curricula and rules in the *Undergraduate Catalog 2010-2012*, available at <http://registrar.utexas.edu/catalogs/>.

Students who transfer directly from a Texas community college are eligible to graduate under UT Austin catalog rules in effect during the time they attend the community college; those declaring the 2010-2012 catalog must complete all degree requirements by the end of the summer session 2018 (2019 for the Bachelor of Architecture and Doctor of Pharmacy degrees). At least sixty semester credit hours must be completed at UT Austin to earn an undergraduate degree.

Prospective students can monitor their UT degree progress – even before transfer – and check degree applicability of Austin Community College courses by using the “Planner” function of UT's Interactive Degree Audit (IDA) system at <http://registrar.utexas.edu/students/degrees/ida/>.

### Use of Transfer Credit Toward Degrees

The Office of Admissions evaluates courses from other institutions for comparability with UT Austin coursework, but the Dean's Office in the School of Undergraduate Studies approves transfer credit for use in the core curriculum.

- Questions concerning **core curriculum requirements** and applicability of transfer credit should be directed to the School of Undergraduate Studies, FAC 406, UT Austin, Austin TX 78712 (512/475-7000). Advising information is available at <http://www.utexas.edu/ugs/>.
- Questions concerning **transfer admission** and transfer credit evaluation should be directed to the Undergraduate Admissions Center, John Hargis Hall, P.O. Box 8058, UT Austin, Austin TX 78713-8058 (512/475-7387). Admission information and Transfer Guides for specific majors are available at <http://bealonghorn.utexas.edu/transfer/>.

### Special Notes

- Course recommendations in this Guide are limited to the **forty-two hour core curriculum** and the foreign language basic education requirement. Major-specific recommendations are provided in other UT Austin Transfer Guides.
- Twenty-one core semester hours in **Communication, Humanities, and U.S. Government/History** are common to all UT degrees and can be taken regardless of major. Six hours in **Visual/Performing Arts and Social/Behavioral Science** are similar in many majors and can be selected with a little care. But **Mathematics and Science/Technology** requirements vary widely among majors and should be undertaken with specific degree objectives in mind.
- Transfer credit for the **First-Year Signature Course**, a UT Austin core curriculum requirement (component area 090), is not generally available. Students who transfer “core complete” from a Texas public community college are not required to enroll in a UT Signature Course.
- Courses in which **grades lower than C–** are earned do not transfer. Grades from transfer credit are excluded from a student's internal **UT Austin grade point average** computation.

# Courses Recommended for Transfer

**Composition, Humanities, Government, History, and Foreign Language requirements are common to all degree plans. Undecided students should limit coursework to these areas until they have a general idea what their major will be.**

## English Composition

(6 hours, core code 010)

ENGL 1301; and one Writing Flag course chosen from ENGL 1302 or 2311.

## Humanities

(3 hours, core code 040)

One American, British, or world literature survey course chosen from ENGL 2322, 2323, 2327, 2328, 2332, 2333, or 2342.

## U.S. / Texas History & Government

(6 hours each, core codes 060 & 070)

History – two courses chosen from HIST/HIS 1301, 1302, 1643, 2301, 2327, 2328, 2341, and 2381.

Government – GOVT 2305+2306. (*Because A.C.C. and UT Austin organize the two-course legislative requirement sequence differently, it is strongly recommended that students take both courses at one institution.*)

## Foreign Language

(High school foreign language is a UT Basic Education requirement outside the core curriculum.)

UT Austin requires all students to have completed two years of high school study in a single foreign language. Transfer students who do not meet this requirement are assessed a **foreign language deficiency**; removal of deficiencies is required for graduation. To remove a deficiency, credit for the second college-level course in a language (numbered 1512) is required. Credit used to remove a deficiency cannot count toward other degree requirements. Prospective students should complete coursework needed to satisfy a foreign language deficiency prior to transfer.

**Visual/Performing Arts and Social/Behavioral Science requirements vary according to major. Before taking coursework in these core areas, students should have a general idea what their major will be.**

## Visual & Performing Arts

(3 hours, core code 050)

One course chosen from ARTS 1301, 1303, or 1304; COMM 1307 or 1335; DRAM 1310 or 2367; HUMA 1315; or MUSI/MUS 1301, 1306, or 1773.

- *For Architecture, Architectural Engineering, or Interior Design:* prospective students are encouraged to defer coursework until enrolled at UT Austin. Core curriculum transfer credit in visual/performing arts counts toward the UT core requirement but does not substitute for courses required in these majors, which are not offered at A.C.C.
- *For Fine Arts majors:* choose one course outside the major department from ARTS 1301, DRAM 1310, or MUSI 1306.
- *For Radio-Television-Film:* choose COMM 1307.
- *For Textiles & Apparel:* choose ARTS 1301 for Retail Merchandising or ARTS 1304 for Conservation.
- *Teacher certification candidates:* choose one course from ARTS 1301, DRAM 1310, or MUSI 1306.

## Social & Behavioral Science

(3 hours, core code 080)

One course chosen from ANTH 2351, ECON 2301 or 2302, GEOG 1303, PSYC 2301, or SOCI 1301 or 1306.

- PSYC 2301 is the most widely applicable course, required in Education, Interior Design, Nursing, or Social Work and recommended for teacher certification candidates.
- Either ECON 2301 or 2302 is required in Environmental Science, International Nutrition, Social Work, or Sport Management; *both* are required in Actuarial Science, Business, Economics, or Textiles & Apparel-Retail Merchandising.

**Mathematics and Science/Technology requirements vary significantly according to major. Before taking coursework in these core areas, students should choose a major or have a very good idea what their major will be.**

## Mathematics

(3 hours, core code 020)

One course chosen from MATH 1324, 1332, 1342, 1425, 2412, or 2413.

- *For Architecture, Business, Engineering, Geosciences, Natural Sciences, or Pharmacy:* choose MATH 2413.
- *For Education:* choose MATH 2412 or 2413 for Athletic Training or Applied Movement Science; choose MATH 2413 for Exercise Science.
- *For Liberal Arts:* choose MATH 1342 for Sociology; choose MATH 2413 for Economics or Environmental Science; choose MATH 1342 or 2413 for Psychology (BS) or Urban Studies.
- *For Nursing:* choose MATH 1342.

## Science & Technology

(9 hours, 6 in one discipline and 3 in another; core codes 030 & 031)

Part I – a two-course sequence in one discipline, chosen from ASTR 1303+1304, 1403+1404, 1303+1404, or 1403+1304; BIOL 1406+1407 or 1408+1409; CHEM 1311+1312; GEOL 1403+1404; or PHYS 1401+1402, 1405+1407, or 2425+2426.

Part II – a third course in a second discipline, chosen from those above and from ANTH 2301 or 2302; BIOL 1309, 1424, or 2306; GEOG 1301; or GEOL 1301, 1345, or 1445.

- *For Applied Learning & Development-teacher certification majors, Architecture, Engineering, Engineering Route to BBA, Environmental Science, Geosciences, Geography (BS), Kinesiology, Natural Sciences, Nursing, Pharmacy, or Psychology (BS):* science/technology coursework is prescribed by the major. Refer to other Austin Community College/UT Austin Transfer Guides for recommended courses.