



Transfer Advising Guide

Spring Arbor University welcomes applications from qualified transfer students. We have a long history of enrolling transfer students into our distinctively Christian learning community and we would love to help you discover if SAU might be the right fit for you.

General Transfer Policies

We accept credits from degree-granting accredited colleges and universities. A maximum of 68 semester hours may be transferred from a community college, unless an articulation agreement with that institution allows for more. Only courses that are 100-level or above and in which a student earned a grade of “C” (2.0) or better may be transferred. Each transfer credit evaluation is conducted individually to help ensure you receive the maximum credit for the coursework you have completed. (Students applying to the School of Graduate and Professional Studies and planning to attend one of our external sites, see handbook for GPS transfer policies.)

A transfer applicant must have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.0 in all prior college coursework to be granted regular admission. Applicants who are transferring less than 26 semester hours should also have official high school transcripts or GED scores and official ACT or SAT scores sent directly to SAU.

MACRAO Agreement

Spring Arbor University is a signatory member in the MACRAO Transfer Agreement. The intent of the Agreement is to ensure that a student who completes an associate in arts degree at a signatory community college will have satisfied the basic two-year requirements of the signatory four-year college upon transfer to the four-year institution. “MACRAO Agreement Satisfied” must be stamped on the community college transcript. The two-year institution verifies that a student has met the terms of the Agreement.

Transfer Scholarships

Spring Arbor University offers generous academic scholarships for transfer students in addition to other merit and need-based financial aid, making a high quality Christian education affordable for most students.

Scholarship Name	Amount	Cumulative GPA to Qualify	Cumulative GPA to Maintain
Deans	\$7,500	3.5-4.0	3.3
Merit	\$5,000	3.0-3.49	3.0

Note – All Phi Theta Kappa scholars qualify for our highest award, which is the Deans Scholarship.

Transfer Admissions Representatives

We have two dedicated transfer admissions representatives to assist you in transitioning to our main campus. They are eager to assist you by answering questions and helping through the admission and enrollment process. (Students applying to the School of Graduate and Professional Studies and planning to attend one of our external sites should contact an admissions specialist at the respective site.)

Your transfer admissions representative is assigned based on the first letter of your last name as follows:

Erin May (A-K)

Erin@arbor.edu

517-750-6607

Alonda Terrell (L-Z)

Alonda@arbor.edu

517-750-6542

Both Erin and Alonda may also be reached at our toll free number, 800-968-0011.

Internet Resources

Our transfer student pages have a wealth of information for prospective transfer students. In addition to helping you learn more about Spring Arbor University in general, you can also access helpful tools such as our transfer equivalency guides for many of Michigan's two-year colleges. Check it out at arbor.edu/transfer.

Why Spring Arbor University?

Are you looking to transfer to a university that will help you grow both intellectually and spiritually, that will care as much about your heart as it does your mind? Then SAU may be for you. We offer over 70 areas of study on our main campus, which has 1,600 students. Our size allows you to experience personalized attention from highly skilled, committed Christian faculty members in classes that are small enough for you to be known by name. We also have great athletics and fine arts opportunities, as well as many ways for you to serve the local community.

In addition to our main campus, our School of Graduate and Professional Studies offers bachelor's degree completion programs at numerous sites in Michigan and northwest Ohio. The academic programs offered at these locations are more limited in number, but they are a great fit for working adults who want to complete their bachelor's degree by attending classes one night a week. Most of these programs are offered in a cohort model, so students develop a close and supportive community with whom they take most of their classes.

We encourage you to consider transferring to Spring Arbor University. Please let us know how we may assist you as you consider your transfer options. Whether you study on our main campus, at one of our external sites or online, you will receive quality instruction with a distinctively Christian perspective.

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