

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS College of Business

At the University of Illinois, the College of Business has an agenda when selecting students for admission. Simply put, the college strives to select students who will be successful graduates of our college and become leaders in their chosen field. There is no magic formula for determining success; instead the College of Business relies on several different criteria. Even if you have an excellent academic record, please note that admission to the College of Business is extremely competitive. Not every qualified student is accepted. Second bachelor degree applications are **NOT** accepted due to space limitations. **Please note:** the College of Business does not accept transfer students to the Supply Chain Management major.

While review of your academic qualifications is of major focus, the essay you complete in the application offers a better indication of why you want to study business at the University of Illinois and the goals you have for your future. Your essay should include:

- Interest or experience in business
- Employment or volunteer activities
- State or national recognition for talent, creative ability, leadership or academic achievement
- An ethnic or cultural background or an age group that will add diversity to this campus
- Extenuating circumstances that significantly affected an otherwise exceptionally good academic record
- Any other information that you feel would complete your profile

Review Process and Transfer Requirements

The college will utilize a holistic review process, which will assess the entire student record (academic performance, leadership ability, work experience and the included essays). Ultimately, the criteria for admission (grade point average, etc.) will be determined by the pool of applicants. The College of Business requires a prospective applicant's transfer GPA to be between **3.00** and **4.00 (A=4.00)**. However, the average transfer GPA is based on that of the applicant pool; the GPA range for Fall 2016 admitted applicants was **3.60-4.00**.

College Requirements

The prerequisite coursework in *bold, red italics* must be completed by the end of the spring semester prior to enrollment in the following fall semester.

All supporting documentation (transcripts, etc.) must be received by the Office of Undergraduate Admissions before the application will be reviewed.

Language Requirement: All transfer applicants must have completed either three years of one language other than English in high school or through the second level (2 semesters) of one language other than English in college by the end of the spring semester prior to the fall term of enrollment. It is **strongly encouraged** that transfer applicants complete the College of Business' Language Requirement prior to transfer. This college's graduation requirement is satisfied by completion through the **fourth year** of one language other than English in high school or through the **fourth level** (4 semesters) of one language other than English in college. If this college's **Language Requirement** for graduation has been completed, it is **highly recommended** that coursework equivalent to other College of Business' programmatic requirements, e.g., University of Illinois' General Education requirements or other coursework, be completed prior to transfer. **Consultation with the transfer institution's advising staff is strongly recommended.**

Transfer course information is available at the following website: <https://www.transferology.com>

CONTACT INFORMATION: Phone: (217) 244-3890; E-mail: admissions@business.illinois.edu or <https://business.illinois.edu/undergraduate-affairs/admissions/transfer-students/>

Accountancy; Finance; Information Systems; Management; Marketing; Operations Management

The College of Business accepts lower and upper division transfers with **24-50+** semester hours of transferable coursework. Students who have completed less than **30** semester hours of credit in college prior to application are evaluated primarily on the following criteria: grades in college, courses in college, high school academics, ACT or SAT scores and essays with transfer admission preference given to students who would have been admitted as freshmen.

Transfer applicants to the College of Business must have successfully completed equivalent transfer coursework to the University of Illinois courses and requirement listed below in ***bold, red italics*** by the end of the **spring** semester prior to fall enrollment. The required hours and courses **must be completed** or be in progress by the term of application. (**Applicants will not be permitted to complete admission hours or course requirements during the summer prior to fall enrollment.**) If transfer students have completed or have in progress at the time of application six or more semesters of college coursework or **90+** semester hours of transferable coursework, transfer applicants are subject to review based on available space. Priority is given to students who can complete the College of Business' degree requirements in no more than nine total semesters of college (excluding summer sessions).

Admission requirements for transfer students with **fewer than 50** transferable semester hours of credit by the end of the spring semester include completion of transfer coursework equivalent to the following University of Illinois courses and requirement:

ECON 102, Microeconomic Principles

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Preferred Mathematics sequences:

1) ***MATH 220, Calculus and MATH 231, Calculus II***

2) ***MATH 220, Calculus and MATH 124, Finite Mathematics***
or ***MATH 125, Elementary Linear Algebra***

3) ***MATH 234, Calculus for Business I and MATH 124, Finite Mathematics***
or ***MATH 125, Elementary Linear Algebra***

RHET 105, Writing and Research.¹

Language Requirement.²

Admission requirements for transfer students with **50+** transferable semester hours of credit by the end of the spring semester **include all of the required coursework listed above** and completion of transfer coursework equivalent to the following University of Illinois courses:

ACCY 201, Accounting and Accountancy I.³

ACCY 202, Accounting and Accountancy II³

Completion of transfer coursework equivalent to the following University of Illinois courses prior to transfer is **highly recommended**:

CMN 101, Public Speaking

CS 105, Intro Computing: Non-Tech.⁴ or ACE 161, Microcomputer Applications

ECON 202, Economic Statistics I.⁵

PSYC 100, Intro Psych⁶

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¹ At most institutions, the equivalent requires a two-course English composition sequence.

² Please refer to Page 1 for the explanation of the ***Language Requirement*** for transfer admission and graduation for all programs of study in the College of Business.

³ Or an approved two or three-course sequence which includes one or more Financial Accounting and one Managerial Accounting course.

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⁴ In addition to ACE 161 or CS 105, completion of an equivalent to one of the following courses also satisfies this degree requirement: CS 101, Intro Computing: Engrg & Sci, CS 102, Little Bits to Big Ideas, CS 125, Intro to Computer Science. If no equivalents to any of the courses listed exist at your institution, a three-semester hour credit course in C or C++, Visual Basic or Java (not Java Script) programming may also satisfy this requirement. If any questions arise, please contact the person listed below.

⁵ ECON 202, Economic Statistics I, is not a transfer requirement, but is strongly recommended, especially for accountancy majors. If your institution does not offer an ECON 202 equivalent, a transfer course equivalent of STAT 100 offered by this campus will satisfy the ECON 202 programmatic requirement.

⁶ Business Administration Management and Marketing majors are strongly advised to take PSYC 100, Intro Psych, because it is the prerequisite for PSYC 201, Intro to Social Psych, a degree requirement.

General Education Requirements for Graduation

The Campus General Education Course List at: <https://courses.illinois.edu/gened/2017/fall> provides approved University of Illinois General Education categories and courses and completion of equivalent coursework to coursework on that list will satisfy programmatic requirements for the College of Business. The General Education categories are as follows:

Composition I & Advanced Composition

All students on this campus must complete the University of Illinois' Composition I and Advanced Composition General Education requirements. Usually, completing an equivalent two-course composition sequence from a transfer institution satisfies the Composition I requirement. The Advanced Composition Requirement normally must be completed on this campus.

Cultural Studies (2 courses)

It is recommended that students select courses from this list that *also* fulfill the Humanities and the Arts area:

- Non-Western Cultures/U.S. Minority Cultures (1 course)
- Western/Comparative Cultures (1 course)

Humanities and the Arts (3 courses)

At least one of the courses in the Humanities and the Arts area must be an equivalent to a University of Illinois 200 level or higher course listed on the General Education list:

- Historical & Philosophical Perspectives (1-2 courses)
- Literature and the Arts (1-2 courses)

Natural Sciences and Technology (2 courses)

It is recommended that one course be taken in each area:

- Life Sciences (0-2 courses)
- Physical Sciences (0-2 courses)

Social and Behavioral Sciences (1 course)

Business Administration majors must complete **PSYC 100**, Intro Psych, or an equivalent because it is the prerequisite for the University of Illinois' PSYC 201, Intro to Social Psych, a Business major requirement.

Credit/No Credit

Equivalent transfer courses to the University of Illinois' General Education and Business core coursework cannot be completed using either the **credit/no credit** or **pass/fail** options for this college and must be completed for letter grades.