Spring 2020 Transfer Information

Due to adjustments made in response to COVID-19, William & Mary is providing answers to these “Transfer FAQs” that were developed by the State Committee on Transfer.

Grade policies:

1. Will the class transfer and apply to general education and appropriate degree requirements if grade of P+ is awarded in spring 2020 by VCCS or RBC (indicates student earned a C or better in course.)?
   A: Yes, for incoming new and transfer students in 2020.

2. How will a grade of P+ on a spring course impact the student entering a competitive major?
   A: We will recognize the P+.

3. How will a grade of P+ on a spring course impact the student meeting a major requirement of a grade of B or higher?
   N/A

4. How will a grade of P+ on a spring course impact the GAA if it requires a letter grade higher than a C on any courses?
   A: W&M requires a “B” or better in all GAA courses and an “A” in an ENG 200+ course; we would prefer for students to “opt-in” to the traditional graded option for these courses, or provide documentation from professor of A/B approximate standing in course (if they choose the P/F option).

5. How will a grade of P+ on a spring course be treated if the course is a pre-req for a major-specific course that normally requires a minimum grade to enroll in the major course?
   A: The transferred course will count as a prerequisite for next course at W&M.

6. How will a grade of P+ (grade of C or better) or P- (grade of D) impact eligibility for the Transfer Grant?
   A: Receiving a P grade should not impact the Transfer Grant eligibility as long as an Associate’s Degree is conferred, cumulative GPA from all other coursework is 3.0+, and all other criteria listed on the SCHEV Transfer Grant Application is met.

Transfer practices:

7. When should I request my transcript?
   A: At the time of the transfer application submission; and once again upon final grades and/or degree conferral.

8. How will I register for my fall classes at the 4-year?
   A: Registration from incoming students is a two-part process for the fall semester. There is a registration window in the summer and then students complete registration at Orientation. The summer registration window and advising is online.
9. What if my 4-year orientation is cancelled?
   A: Orientation planning is still underway and will be robust and adapted to circumstances in August.

10. When will I know if I am accepted at the 4-year?
    A: We still anticipate decisions by May 1; unless granted a late-submission approval

11. When will I know if I get housing at the 4-year?
    A: Please refer to the Tribe Guide, which you’ll receive upon deposit.

12. Is it too late to apply for financial aid?
    A: It’s not too late to apply for, or be eligible to receive, financial aid. Depending on when the applications were completed, there could be a delay in receiving financial aid packaging information immediately after an admission decision.

13. What if my financial status has changed significantly, can I apply for more aid? How?
    A: If a student’s financial situation changes after initial submission of the financial aid application, a student can submit an appeal based on a change in financial situation. The financial aid office will then review the new information. Whether more aid will be awarded will depend on the individual situation and whether the student’s Expected Family Contribution (EFC) changed as a result.

14. What if I cannot pay my admissions deposit when it is due?
    A: Please contact the Admissions Office for further assistance.

15. Can I still submit an application to W&M?
    A: Yes, we are approving late transfer application submissions on a case-by-case basis.

16. Can I request an unofficial evaluation of my transcript to see how credits will apply to my prospective major? How?
    A: Direct equivalencies for VCCS and RBC courses are posted in the Transfer Guides, and upon admission, we will do all we can to have unofficial course evaluations available. All students enter W&M as “undeclared” majors. Once you deposit, you can use our Degree Works tool to complete “What If” evaluations of your credit against specific major requirements.

17. Any additional transfer information you wish to include for your transfer students?
    A: Students are welcome to meet with academic advisors in the Office of Academic Advising; you can schedule online and we can meet via phone or Zoom. Explore William & Mary from home with our Virtual Campus Tour and Virtual (General) Information Session. Transfer-specific questions (and requests for virtual meetings) can be sent to Monica Pinier, Dean of Transfer Admission at monica@wm.edu.