

Recommendation to Students

Before paying for a foreign transcript evaluation report, please refer to the following information and the charts below to help you decide if it would benefit you given your educational goal. Foreign transfer credit has several limitations toward satisfying various requirements (e.g. cannot be applied for UC or CSU transfer purposes).

Important Information

- Please visit the Counseling and Advising Center if you have foreign coursework and need educational planning assistance.
- Official foreign transcript evaluation reports are required at De Anza if your university coursework was completed outside of the US, even when the language of instruction was English. Only college courses identified on foreign transcript evaluation reports as lower division may be applied; high school level and upper division college level coursework cannot apply.
- Foreign transcript evaluation reports must be issued by a third-party service. Educational Credential Evaluators (ECE) or any service that currently is a member of **NACES** (National Association of Credential Evaluation Services) is acceptable. <http://www.naces.org/members.html>
 A “course-by-course” type of evaluation is needed. Fees vary.
- Foreign transcript evaluation reports must be submitted to Admissions and Records in their official *sealed* envelopes to be processed. Please write your **Student ID number** on the outside of the envelope.

Note: Each university has the right to evaluate foreign credit differently and independently than De Anza College does; therefore, if you plan to transfer to a four-year American university (e.g. a UC or CSU campus) after leaving De Anza College, it is recommended you check first with the university as to what it might accept. (The UC and CSU campuses typically perform their own foreign transcript evaluations).

Foreign University Transfer Credit Applicability Charts

GENERAL EDUCATION COURSES

To be used for:	Applicability:
AA or AS degree (e.g. Liberal Arts AA degree)	evaluation will determine which courses will apply (generally at most a few courses will satisfy individual GE requirements)*
Transfer Degree	none
IGETC or CSU GE Breadth certification	none

* (a) English, Critical Thinking, and Speech Communication courses applied toward De Anza certificates and degrees must be completed at a regionally accredited US college or university. A foreign math course may clear De Anza’s Math Proficiency requirement; however, if you plan to take further math courses at De Anza, you will need to take a math assessment test.

(b) Beware that foreign transcript evaluation reports are issued in US semester unit equivalents which could cause a possible unit shortage toward a De Anza course and/or GE area. In this case, you will need to complete additional units to make up for the shortage for that particular requirement.

MAJOR COURSES

To be used for:	Applicability:
Certificate of Achievement, Achievement-Advanced	very limited (visit Counseling and Advising with specific inquiries)*
AA or AS degree (e.g. Liberal Arts)	very limited (visit Counseling and Advising with specific inquiries)*
Transfer Degree	none

* Because most coursework at foreign universities is usually highly specialized and differs from De Anza's programs, foreign transfer credit generally does not apply toward major requirements.

ENGLISH and MATH PROFICIENCY

To clear:	Applicability:
"eligibility to take EWRT 1A proficiency"	none*
"eligibility to take MATH 114 proficiency"	evaluation will determine**

* Check with the Assessment Center to make a placement test appointment.
www.deanza.edu/admissions/placement

** A foreign math course may clear De Anza's Math Proficiency requirement; however, if you plan to take further math courses at De Anza, you will need to take a math assessment test.

PARALEGAL STUDIES

For Paralegal Studies certificate and degree students:	Applicability:
to satisfy the Prior AA/AS degree or higher requirement	Yes, if a verified foreign degree was earned