GRADUATE TRANSFER CREDITS

UNIT POLICY—ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

This policy applies to course credits transferred from other institutions. The University is not obligated to accept any courses for transfer credit. However, provided the student meets the residency requirement, the graduate program coordinator and/or department chair may recommend up to 40% of the required credit hours for a degree program at North Carolina A&T State University be accepted for transfer credit from another institution, subject to approval by the Dean of the Graduate School. The limitations on transfer credits are as follows:

1. For a course to be transferred, it must have been earned at a regionally accredited, or otherwise approved, university with a grade of “B” or higher (“B-” is not equivalent to a “B”). Courses that have been graded on a Pass/Fail or Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory basis will not be accepted for transfer.

Although the credit for a course may transfer, the grade will not be used to calculate the cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) at North Carolina A&T State University except when the course is a consortium course. The number of semester credit hours transferred from courses taken in a quarter system will be two-thirds of the quarter hours.
2. With the approval of the academic department and the Graduate School, graduate level credit hours may be credited to a graduate program at NCA&T provided the total number of credit hours transferred do not exceed 40% of the total degree requirements at NCA&T. Credit hours transferred may not have been used to fulfill requirements of any previous earned degree at another institution. However, subject to approval by the academic department and the Graduate School, up to 24 credit hours of graded course work from a previous earned master’s degree may be approved for transfer credit towards a post-baccalaureate doctoral program.

A maximum of 12 credit hours taken while a student is in non-degree seeking or Post Baccalaureate Studies (PBS) status may be credited to a degree program.

3. The request must include an official copy of the transcript and published course descriptions along with the request.

4. Transferred courses must be graduate-level courses relevant to the graduate degree being sought. Each graduate program will recommend transfer credits based on an evaluation of the course description and whether the course was taken within the last five years.

Date amended policy is effective: June 2, 2014, except that a student who began graduate work on a degree prior to the effective date may continue under any prior established criteria until such time as the student graduates with that degree or becomes subject to a new catalog.

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