

# MassTransfer

Students planning to transfer to one of the Massachusetts state-supported colleges or universities are eligible for MassTransfer. MassTransfer provides community college graduates who complete designated associate's degrees with the benefits of the full transfer and applicability of credit, guaranteed admission (2.5 GPA or higher), and a partial tuition discount (3.0 GPA or higher).

MassTransfer integrates and replaces the Commonwealth Transfer Compact, the Joint Admissions Program, and the Tuition Advantage Program. For full details about the MassTransfer policy, please contact Kathy Maisto in the Academic Advising Center or go to [www.mass.edu/masstransfer](http://www.mass.edu/masstransfer)

Community college students who matriculated prior to fall 2009 and who participate in the Commonwealth Transfer Compact and/or Joint Admissions programs will be required to complete their associate degrees by August 2013 and must matriculate at a Massachusetts state college or University of Massachusetts campus by fall 2014 to receive the benefits of these programs.

Students matriculating in fall 2009 as well as currently enrolled students may accumulate courses leading toward the completion of an approved associate degree under MassTransfer or the MassTransfer Block. **The policy benefits will apply to students who complete either an approved associate degree or the MassTransfer Block beginning fall 2010, regardless of initial date of enrollment.**

## OPTION I:

Benefits for students **who complete associate's degree** under MassTransfer are:

Minimum Final GPA	Benefits
2.00 GPA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>No admission fee or essay</li><li>Guaranteed full transfer of a minimum of 60 credits applied to the bachelor's degree, <b>if admitted</b></li><li>Satisfaction of the general education/distribution/core requirements at the receiving institution, with the receiving institution able to add no more than six additional credits/two courses, <b>if admitted</b></li></ul>
2.50 GPA	Guaranteed admission, plus all of the above benefits
3.00 GPA	A one-third tuition discount, plus all of the above benefits ( <i>must be used within one year after date of graduation</i> )

### Stipulations:

- If students change their majors or if the linked baccalaureate programs require a higher grade point average or specific courses which are required of native students, MassTransfer students must meet these additional requirements.
- If, because of space or fiscal limitations, the receiving institution does not admit all qualified applicants to a given major or program, the receiving institution will use the same criteria for MassTransfer applicants as it does for its native students.

## OPTION II:

(Please refer to the [MASSTRANSFER ADVISING AUDIT SHEET](#) for advising codes go to: [www.gcc.mass.edu](http://www.gcc.mass.edu) - click on ADVISING CENTER LINK

MassTransfer also provides students in the Massachusetts public higher education system the intermediate goal of completing a portable general education Transfer Block that will satisfy the general education/distribution/core requirements across institutions. Students completing the Transfer Block without earning a degree at any Massachusetts higher education institution with a 2.0 or higher grade point average will earn the 34 credit hours outlined below, exclusive of developmental coursework.

Transfer Block	
English Composition/Writing	6 credits
Behavioral and Social Sciences	9 credits
Humanities <b>and/or</b> Fine Arts	9 credits
Natural or Physical Science	7 credits
Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning	3 credits
<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>34 credits</b>

Benefits for students who **complete the Transfer Block:**

Minimum Final GPA	Benefit
2.0 GPA	Satisfaction of the general education/distribution/core requirements at the receiving institution, with the receiving institution able to add no more than six additional credits/two courses, <b>if admitted</b>

### Stipulations:

- Students enrolled in a specific major or degree program may be required to take additional courses if these courses are specifically required for the major or program and are required of native students.
- Completion of the Transfer Block does not guarantee admission to the college or university