

## Southwestern Michigan College Transfer Guide

### General Admission Criteria

To be admitted to this degree program, transfer students with fewer than 12 transferable credits at the time of application, must meet the current freshman admission criteria. The application will be considered for admission based upon the high school academic record. Transfer students with 12 or more transferable credits at the time of application (including both English and Algebra) must have a minimum GPA of 2.0 ("C" or better on 4.0 scale). Students without an English and Algebra Class will be required to submit an ACT/SAT score. Official transcripts from all accredited colleges/universities must be submitted with the Ferris application.

### Course Requirements

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Course	Ferris Equiv.	Ferris Course Title	Cr. Hrs.
ENGL 103	ENGL 150	English 1	3
ENGL 104	ENGL 250	English 2	3
SPEE 102	COMM 121	Fundamentals of Public Speaking	3
BIOL 101	BIOL 121	General Biology 1	4
BIOL 102	BIOL 122	General Biology 2	4
CHEM 101	CHEM 121	General Chemistry 1	5
CHEM 102	CHEM 122	General Chemistry 2	5
CHEM 201	CHEM 321	Organic Chemistry 1	5
CHEM 202	CHEM 322	Organic Chemistry 2	5
MATH 141	MATH 220	Analytical Geometry-Calculus 1	4
PHYS 101 <b>and</b> PHYS 102 <b>OR</b> PHYS 201 <b>and</b> PHYS 202	PHYS 211 <b>and</b> PHYS 212 <b>OR</b> PHYS 241 <b>and</b> PHYS 242	Introductory Physics 1 <b>and</b> Introductory Physics 2 <b>OR</b> General Physics 1 <b>and</b> General Physics 2	8-10
SMC	VARIES	Cultural Enrichment Electives (one must be FSU 200+ level)	9
SMC	VARIES	Social Awareness Electives (one must be FSU 200+ level) (must come from 2 different subject areas)	9

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Course	Ferris Course Title	Cr. Hrs.
ENGL 311	Advanced Technical Writing	3
<b>or</b>	<b>or</b>	
ENGL 321	Advanced Composition	
<b>or</b>	<b>or</b>	
ENGL 323	Proposal Writing	
<b>or</b>	<b>or</b>	
ENGL 325	Advanced Business Writing	
FSU	Communication Elective (not from the general education list)	3
FSU	Foreign Language 101	
FSU	Foreign Language 102	
FSU	Foreign Language 201	
FSU	Academic Minor (see FSU advisor)	18-24
FSU	Electives to meet 120 total credits	
BIOL 375	Principles of Genetics	3
CHEM 332	Biochemistry Lab 1	2
CHEM 333	Biochemistry Lab 2	2
CHEM 364	Biochemistry	4
CHEM 451	Introduction to Physical Chemistry	4
CHEM 474	Advanced Biochemistry	3

**Credits Required for Degree 120**

*Students transferring to Ferris with the Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA) and entering a degree program will have met a 30-hour block of lower-level general education courses. However, this does not exempt students from completing program specific prerequisites or higher-level general education course requirements. Students should contact their advisor regarding classes that meet the MTA.*

### Contact Information

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**College of Arts & Sciences**

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## Delivery Locations

This degree and the Ferris courses are offered at the following locations:

- Ferris State University, Big Rapids Campus, Big Rapids MI
- Select courses may be delivered online and/or in a mixed delivery format (i.e. a mix of online and face-to-face instruction at the Ferris Main Campus or at an off-campus location)

## Transfer Student Orientation

All new students to Ferris State University are required to complete an orientation. Orientation for incoming freshmen is a one-day session that occurs on campus and includes class registration. Eligible transfer students have the option of completing an online orientation or attending an on campus session.

## Advising Notes

It is recommended that potential students meet with an advisor to review the degree, course schedule, and have any questions answered prior to completing an application. **Students who are completing the MTA may have different general education course requirements for the particular degree selected. Meeting with a Ferris advisor prior to the selection of any electives or general education classes shown above could reduce the chance of completing a course that will not apply toward the selected degree.** Once admitted, students must continue to meet with an advisor as they work towards graduation.

## Online Learning

Orientation is required for students who register for an online *course* or are completing an online *degree*. Students must demonstrate competency in FerrisConnect skills. This may be done by taking a tutorial and quiz, or, for students who have already taken and passed online courses, they can submit a waiver request. Students should check with the department that offers the class to determine its particular needs and/or the Ferris advisor regarding registration for online course work.

## Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA)

Ferris participates in the Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA). This agreement will facilitate the transfer of general education requirements from one Michigan institution to another. Students may complete the MTA as part of a degree program or as a stand-alone package. The MTA consists of a minimum of 30 general education credit hours as identified by the college or university.

## Disclaimer

*This is a guide for students who plan to transfer to Ferris State University. This guide is not intended to be a contract with Ferris. The information on this guide is subject to change. Students should contact their community college or Ferris to keep informed of changes. Final responsibility for verifying all transfer information lies with the student. Please refer to the effective and/or revised date on the bottom of the guide.*