

## ADMISSION POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

The “Transfer Students and Advanced Standing Applicants” subchapter of Admission Policies and Procedures should read:

### TRANSFER STUDENTS & ADVANCED STANDING APPLICANTS

A transfer student is a student who has previously attended another degree-granting post-secondary institution and has successfully completed at least one credit-bearing course.

Applicants who have successfully completed credit-bearing courses at any comparably accredited post-secondary institution may be able to transfer courses comparable in content and length to ASA within the discipline offered at the college. Students are required to complete a minimum of 50% of the courses in the program at ASA. Transfer credit will be evaluated once an official copy of the previous college transcript is received. A transcript is considered to be official when stamped with the official college seal, signed by the appropriate college official and received directly by ASA’s Registrar’s Office in a sealed envelope. Catalog and course descriptions may be requested as well.

Students may not be excused from taking placement examinations unless the Registrar’s office has an official transcript at the time of registration. Applicants are strongly encouraged to complete the transfer credit evaluation process prior to registration to avoid any potential scheduling and financial aid problems.

As program length and semester schedules are determined by the number of remedial courses the student must take as a result of their placement test scores, it is the responsibility of an applicant to provide all the necessary documentation in a timely manner.

Transfer credits will be considered for individual courses for which a grade of “C” or better has been achieved. Courses may be eligible for transfer within the following time constraints since previous study was completed:

- Introductory Courses (Codes 100-110) 10 years
- All Arts and Sciences Courses 10 years
- Courses With Codes 115 and higher 5 years
- Career Development Course Non-transferable  
(CDV 100) from other institutions
- Career Development Course 5 years  
(CDV 100) taken at ASA

Nursing students who transfer college credits must have earned a grade of 2.5 (C+ or better) in General Education courses.

Additionally, students enrolled in the Medical Assisting program may transfer credits into their major only from CAAHEP-accredited degree-granting institutions.

ASA may accept transfer credits from colleges and universities outside of the USA for similar, verifiable, credit-bearing coursework. However, it is the student’s responsibility to provide the Registrar’s office with official transcripts accompanied by official translation and course-by-course evaluation of the courses in the transcripts by a recognized credential evaluation agency, e.g. WES. Nursing students will not be able to transfer courses in their major. Science courses may be transferred if the credits are earned for identical courses are from an accredited college and the grade earned for the course is a “B” or better.

ASA acknowledges that alternative methods of learning are essential to the growing demands of the modern students where educational needs might not be met by attending a traditional institution. To that end, ASA may award academic credits evaluated on an individual basis. Prior learning assessed by nationally recognized advanced placement examinations such as CLEP®, DANTE and /or UExcel® exams. Additional information for CLEP® is available in Appendix C of this catalog. Students may also be awarded credits for verifiable IT industry standard certifications obtained from nationally recognized organizations such as Microsoft, CISCO, and Sun Systems, etc. The request should be submitted to the Division Chairperson for further evaluation.

ASA awards exemption credit for its Freshman Skills Seminar if the applicant has successfully completed at least one semester of credit-bearing courses at another regionally accredited institution. ASA College does not award academic credit for life/work experience.