

**Morningside College
2007-2008 Transfer Policy and Transfer Guide for
Northeast Community College
Norfolk and South Sioux City, Nebraska**

Mission Statement

The Morningside College experience cultivates a passion for life-long learning and a dedication to ethical leadership and civic responsibility.

Vision Statement

Morningside College is a student-centered participatory community, offering liberal arts curriculum combined with a diverse array of practical experiences. The goal is the development of the whole person through an emphasis on critical thinking, effective communication, cultural understanding, practical wisdom, spiritual discernment, and ethical action. The Morningside College graduate is equipped for both personal and professional success.

Celebration of Excellence Transfer Scholarship

Transfer students who have transferred 24 or more semester hours to Morningside College will be considered for the following scholastic awards:

\$4000 3.50 to 4.00 transfer GPA
\$2000 3.00 to 3.49 transfer GPA

The Morningside College Registrar calculates the transfer GPA when the student is admitted to Morningside College by evaluating transcripts of credits earned at all colleges attended, excluding any credits earned at Morningside College. The scholarship is renewable as long as the student remains in good standing.

Admission Requirements

Students desiring to transfer to Morningside College must complete an application for admission accompanied by a \$25 application fee (fee is waived if student applies online at www.morningside.edu or if student makes an official campus visit) and submit official transcripts from high school (or evidence of GED) and ALL colleges attended. Students who have attended any college with the past 12 months must also provide a Transfer Recommendation Form completed by the Dean of Students at the college from which the student is transferring.

The Registrar makes an evaluation of credits earned at other institutions. Transfer applicants who have earned 24 transferable semester hours with a 2.25 or better cumulative transfer GPA meet the academic standards for admission. Transfer students with less than 24 transferable semester hours must defer to the admission procedure for high school seniors and first-year students.

Morningside's selective admissions program is based on the following criteria:

- 1) Official collegiate transcripts.
- 2) Rank in high school graduating class and grade point average.
- 3) Scores on ACT or SAT admissions tests (when necessary).
- 4) Transfer Recommendation Form from last school attended during past 12 months.
- 5) Character and personal abilities.

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Transfer of Credit

General Studies: A maximum of 62 semester hours from accredited community or two-year colleges may be transferred to Morningside College, of which no more than 16 semester hours of technical/vocational courses will be accepted toward a baccalaureate degree. Exception: students enrolled in the Degree Completion Program for Registered Nurses may transfer a maximum of 78 credits to Morningside College.

The attached equivalency listing shows courses that have been approved by the Morningside College Registrar as meeting Morningside's current Distribution (general studies) requirements. There may be additional courses that meet the Distribution requirements. Students may inquire about course equivalencies by contacting Morningside College's Transfer Counselor.

Major, Minor, Clusters and Elective Courses: Courses submitted for transfer credit for major or minor programs or clusters must be equivalent in methods, subject matter, level of instruction, and requirements to Morningside College courses. The Registrar will determine equivalency in consultation with the Dean of the College and the chairs of the academic departments involved as necessary. Courses submitted as transfer credit for open electives are not subject to the "equivalency test." They are, however, subject to approval by the Dean of the College and the Registrar.

Non-Traditional Credit

Morningside College recognizes that students can gain valuable knowledge through experiences outside of the regular classroom setting. For this reason Morningside will grant a maximum of 32 semester hours of credit toward a baccalaureate degree on the basis of performance in the following areas: Advanced Placement through the high school, College Level Examination Program (CLEP), International Baccalaureate (IB), Academic Credit for College Equivalent Learning (ACCEL), correspondence, electronic credit, and military credit.

Advanced Placement (AP): The College will award credit to those students who have participated in the Advanced Placement program in high school and who have earned a 3 or better on the final examination. (See catalog for additional information)

College Level Examination Program (CLEP): Students whose training or experience would indicate proficiency in certain areas may demonstrate their knowledge by completing one or more of the CLEP examinations. (See catalog for additional information)

International Baccalaureate (IB): The International Baccalaureate Program is an internationally accepted program that is being used in over 104 countries. It is a two-year curriculum taken by high school students in their junior and senior years and is an academically rigorous college preparatory program designed for highly motivated students. It is a comprehensive program, encouraging critical thinking, research skills, and service to the community as a part of the learning process. (See catalog for additional information)

Academic Credit for College Equivalent Learning (ACCEL): An individual with significant experience in the workplace or in other college-sponsored training programs may be eligible to convert the knowledge obtained from that experience into academic college credit when it is equivalent to learning which takes place in the classroom. (See catalog for additional information)

Correspondence and Electronic Credit: No more than 10 semester hours of correspondence, extension, World Wide Web, or telecourse credits will be accepted toward a baccalaureate degree. The Registrar and appropriate department chair must approve all such credit.

Servicemember's Opportunity College: Morningside College has been identified by the American Association of State Colleges and Universities as a Serviceman's Opportunity College (SOC). As such it is dedicated to providing educational assistance to active and veteran military service members. Military service members may have their military experiences evaluated and academic credit awarded where applicable. Contact the Registrar's Office for further information.

For more information about transferring to Morningside College, or about Morningside policies and course equivalencies, please contact:

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