75-90 CREDITS GET READY to transfer!

1. Keep up with deadlines:

Meet final application deadlines, and look for deadlines regarding:

- ☐ Confirming admission
- ☐ Tuition deposits
- ☐ Housing requests
- ☐ Financial Aid
- ☐ Submitting proof of immunizations

Late applications or responses are not accepted!

Remember! Apply for graduation to earn your Associate degree.

Apply for graduation in ctcLink at the beginning of your final quarter at North. Reach out to your advisor with any questions. northseattle.edu/graduation

2. Transfer your final credits and register for classes:

- ☐ Send official transcripts after your final quarter. This second official transcript will transfer the final credits you completed and show that you earned your transfer degree.
- ☐ Attend orientation at your new college. **Tip**: Choose the earliest date possible, as you will register for classes at orientation.
- ☐ Connect with helpful offices at your new school, such as Disability Services, Veteran's Affairs or a Transfer Welcome Center. Look for housing and work on your new campus.



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https://northseattle.edu/programs/college-transfer/transfer-timeline MB 8/29/2023



Transfer Planning Timeline

A step-by-step guide to help you transfer to a university successfully



0-18 CREDITS

EXPLORE majors and careers and CHOOSE a transfer degree

1. Explore majors and careers:

- ☐ *Check out NSC Counseling* for workshops, HDC classes, one-on-one help and web resources: northseattle.edu/counseling.
- ☐ *Visit the Career Services office* or use their online resources: northseattle.edu/career-services
- ☐ *Research* career and education information using <u>wa.cis360.org</u>. (Ask an advisor for the log in credentials.)
- ☐ Look up other websites: explorehealthcareers.org or myplan.com/majors/what-to-do-with-a-major.php

2. Choose a 90-credit transfer degree that fits

your major: Associate of Arts (AA-DTA), Associate in Business (AB-DTA), Associate in Computer Science (AS CSC-DTA), Associate of Fine Arts (AFA), Associate of Science General (AS-DTA), Associate of Science Track 1 (AS-T 1) or Associate of Science Track 2 (AS-T 2)

Degree worksheets: <u>bit.ly/NSCTransferDegrees</u>
Program pathway maps for common majors: <u>bit.ly/NSCProgramPathways</u>



bit.ly/NSCTransferWeb



bit.ly/TransferCanvasNSC

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3. Get some experience:

- ☐ Volunteer or talk with people who work in fields of interest. Find opportunities at <u>volunteermatch.org</u>
- ☐ Join related clubs: https://northseattle.edu/student-leadership-engagement/clubs-affinity-groups/clubs

4. Research potential four-year colleges and universities:

- ☐ Attend transfer events listed at bit.ly/transfercalendar.

 Ask questions about majors, campus culture and scholarships.
- ☐ Use college search websites such as college-insight.org, bigfuture.collegeboard.org, or campustours.com.

19-44 CREDITS PLAN for your future

1. Get to know four-year schools better:

- ☐ *Meet with four-year college advisors.* Visit campuses at events like UW Seattle Transfer Thursday: transfer.uw.edu/thursday/
- ☐ *Learn major and admission requirements* from four-year college websites: bit.ly/ListofUniversities
- ☐ Start your list of preferred schools. Have a backup plan if not admitted to your first choice. Note specific application processes and deadlines for your schools and major.
- 2. Make an Education Plan (ed plan): Meet with your advisor and make a plan to complete your degree and prepare for your major. Schedule an appointment: northseattle.edu/advising/see-an-advisor. Learn more about ed plans: bit.ly/CreateYourEdPlan

Why Earn a DTA Degree?

For most Washington state four-year colleges and universities, an AA-, AB- or AS-DTA degree will transfer as a package, and **may**

- fulfill most of the university's lower division general education coursework.
- grant junior standing (depending on major entry requirements).
- give students priority application review status.
- qualify students for special scholarships or application fee waivers.
- allow transfer of up to 15 credits of "normally non-transferable" coursework such as vocational or professional/technical classes.

Please note, completion of an Associate degree does not guarantee admission to a four-year college or university. Each institution has specific admission requirements (i.e. GPA, residency, core requirements).

KEEP FINANCES IN MIND

□ **Update your FAFSA or WASFA after October 1st** of the year *before* you plan to transfer, and by your school's priority Financial Aid deadline. List all the schools to which you will be applying. Websites: www.fafsa.gov, https://wsac.wa.gov/wasfa



☐ Seek out scholarships, particularly for schools and majors where you will apply. Other places to look include www.washboard.org and northseattle.edu/scholarships. If recommendation letters or forms are needed, ask recommenders one to two months before the deadline.

45-74 CREDITS APPLY to your chosen schools

1. Stay on track with your Education Plan: Make an appointment with your advisor to check that you will graduate when planned, and that all prerequisites for your major are included in your plan.

2. Begin your four-year college applications:

- ☐ Start the application process for each school, becoming familiar with the online forms and supporting information needed. Request letters of recommendation if needed, giving at least one month's notice.
- ☐ Begin your personal statement and short question answers for each application. Attend a personal statement workshop and request help reviewing your draft from The Page One Writing & Language Center: northseattle.edu/tutoring.
- ☐ Request official transcripts from **all** colleges attended, and high school transcripts and test scores if needed. Order North transcripts at northseattle.edu/transcripts.
- ☐ Ask about possible application fee waivers. Some colleges grant waivers just for earning a transfer degree, others have a petition process.
- □ **Please note:** International and Running Start students may have different deadlines and application processes.