

# LSP GUIDELINES FOR ALL TRANSFER STUDENTS

This section provides Liberal Studies Program (LSP) guidelines for transfer students. For the Liberal Studies requirements associated with a specific program, see the catalog description for that respective program.

Students in the DePaul University Honors Program should consult with a program advisor about their requirements.

1. Transfer students must meet all LSP requirements as specified by the student's primary major: First-Year Program, the LSP 200 SEMINAR ON RACE, POWER, AND RESISTANCE (unless the student has completed the IAI/GECC), the Experiential Learning Requirement, the Capstone, and the various Learning Domain courses.
2. Transfer courses are applied to the most appropriate Learning Domain, based on articulations vetted through the Transfer Articulation Center according to the posted learning outcomes and writing expectations for each requirement.
3. Transfer students (aged 23 years old or younger) who enter DePaul with **fewer than 30 quarter hours** of combined transfer credit, not including test credit, are required to enroll in Discover Chicago/Explore Chicago in their first quarter at DePaul.
4. Transfer students (aged 23 years old or younger) who enter DePaul with **30 or more quarter hours** of combined transfer credit, not including test credit, do not need to enroll in Discover Chicago/Explore Chicago or Focal Point courses. Instead, they will complete two Learning Domain electives outside their area of specialization, using either existing transfer credit or future DePaul credit.
  - a. With First-Year Program approval, the transfer student may elect to enroll in a Discover Chicago/Explore Chicago and/or Focal Point course.
5. Adult students (aged 24 years old or older) who enter DePaul, regardless of the number of combined transfer credit, do not need to enroll in Discover Chicago/Explore Chicago and/or Focal Point courses. Instead, they will complete two Learning Domain electives outside their area of specialization, using either existing transfer credit or future DePaul credit.
  - a. With First-Year Program approval, the adult transfer student may elect instead to enroll in a Discover Chicago/Explore Chicago and/or Focal Point course.
6. Transfer students who enter DePaul with earned credit for WRD 104 COMPOSITION AND RHETORIC II and not WRD 103 COMPOSITION AND RHETORIC I may satisfy the second writing course requirement by taking any one of the following expository writing courses:

Course	Title	Quarter Hours
WRD 103	COMPOSITION AND RHETORIC I	4
WRD 203	STYLE FOR WRITERS	4
WRD 206	PROFESSIONAL WRITING	4
WRD 240	ARGUMENTATIVE WRITING	4
WRD 300	COMPOSITION AND STYLE	4

- a. Permission to substitute an open elective for the second writing course may be granted based on a review of documentation showing superior achievement and/or professional experience in advanced, expository writing. For more information, please contact the First-Year Writing

Program by emailing FYWriting@depaul.edu (<https://catalog.depaul.eduMailto:%20FYWriting@depaul.edu>).

- b. Transfer students who met first-year writing requirements at their previous institution through coursework other than equivalents of WRD 103 COMPOSITION AND RHETORIC I and WRD 104 COMPOSITION AND RHETORIC II may petition the First-Year Writing Program for a waiver or substitution of this requirement by emailing FYWriting@depaul.edu (<https://catalog.depaul.eduMailto:FYWriting@depaul.edu>) and including the rationale and syllabi for the course(s) in question. The rationale should describe how the course(s) in question meet the requirement's learning outcomes and writing expectations. The First-Year Writing Program will communicate its decision to the student and the student's home college advisor. Based on information from the course description and syllabus, a determination will be made as to whether the student
  - i. should take WRD 103 COMPOSITION AND RHETORIC I and/or WRD 104 COMPOSITION AND RHETORIC II;
  - ii. should substitute an upper-level writing course from an approved list for WRD 103 COMPOSITION AND RHETORIC I and/or petition to waive WRD 104 COMPOSITION AND RHETORIC II by submitting a portfolio including two research projects, process documents, and a reflective argument demonstrating how the portfolio meets the requirement's learning outcomes as outlined here; or
  - iii. have part or all of the requirement waived. Elective credit will be adjusted accordingly to ensure that a student earns 192 credits for degree completion.
7. Applying transfer credit to the Experiential Learning requirement:
  - a. Internships: DePaul generally does not award Experiential Learning credit for internships or cooperative learning courses taken at another college or university. Students may petition the LSP office for a waiver or substitution of this requirement by emailing LiberalStudies@depaul.edu (<https://catalog.depaul.eduMailto:%20LiberalStudies@depaul.edu>) and including a rationale and syllabus for the course in question. The student must make the case that the course meets the Experiential Learning learning outcomes and writing expectations. The LSP office will communicate its decision to the student and the student's home college advisor.
  - b. Study Abroad: Students who transfer in credit from a full-year or term-long study abroad program through an accredited institution, consisting of no less than ten weeks abroad and no less than 12 quarter hours abroad, and having received grades of no less than a "C" in these courses, may use one of these courses to fulfill the Experiential Learning Requirement.