# Busting Transfer Myths

We hear a lot of misconceptions about the transfer process from students. See the most common myths below, and then the facts about transferring from Delta.

- "I'm here at Delta to do my basics/general education classes."

  Fact: General education requirements vary based on the major or university you are transferring to. Without specific details on your transfer plans, there's no universal list of general education classes that work for all majors and universities.
- "I can only transfer to nearby transfer partners if I cannot relocate."

  Fact: Many transfer partners offer fully online options to complete a bachelor's degree after Delta. Some may even offer in-person classes on Delta's campus!
- "I need to transfer ASAP because I can't take major-specific courses at Delta."

  Fact: Delta advisors coordinate with transfer university advisors to optimize each student's transfer pathway. Students will often take a mix of general education courses and major-specific coursework before transferring.
- "I don't need to talk to my transfer school until after I earn my degree at Delta."

Fact: Start collaborating with your transfer school early to ensure that the classes you take at Delta will transfer. Some transfer schools may even require two applications: one for the university and another for your specific major, like engineering, social work or teacher education.

"I can only take classes at Delta for two years (or 62 credits) and then I will have to transfer."

**Fact:** Delta offers 3+1 programs with several university partners. These programs allow you to take up to 90 credits (3 years worth of full-time credits, or 75% of a bachelor's degree) at Delta before transferring.

"I won't be able to get my Delta degree because I need to transfer before I earn enough credits."

**Fact:** You can reverse transfer credits from your university back to Delta and earn your Delta degree even after you have started at the university.

"Since I didn't start as a first-year student at my transfer university, I don't qualify for their scholarships."

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**Fact:** Many universities have scholarships reserved only for transfer students. Some Delta partners even reserve scholarships specifically for students transferring from Delta College.





# Delta College has 180+ transfer partnerships with Michigan universities and beyond.

But with so many options, transferring can be a little overwhelming to figure out on your own.



### The Delta Way

We'll work with you to build a custom transfer pathway. That's the best way to ensure your courses will transfer to your chosen university, you stay on track, and that you take as many courses here as possible to maximize your savings.

### Create your customized transfer plan.

Meet with your Delta Student Success Advisor today.

# **Top transfer destinations**

- 1. Saginaw Valley State University
- 2. Central Michigan University
- 3. Northwood University
- 4. Michigan State University
- 5. Ferris State University
- 6. Grand Valley State University
- 7. University of Michigan
- 8. University of Michigan Flint
- 9. Michigan Technological University
- 10. Western Michigan University
- 11. Davenport University

To view the possibilities, visit delta.edu/transfer today.



### Let's talk about saving money.

Delta offers 30, 60 and 90 credit transfer options. Let's look at how those savings can reduce the total cost of your bachelor's degree.

The number of credits to earn a bachelor's degree is about 120. We've estimated tuition and fees at local universities to be around \$475 per credit hour. In this example, if you took all of your 120 credits at the university, your bachelor's degree would cost you around \$57,000.

Now, let's say you attend Delta full-time for two years, earning 62 credits and your associate's degree. In this example, you'd pay around \$155 per credit hour for 62 credits at Delta, or \$9,610. You'd transfer to the university for your next 58 credits at the university cost, \$27,550, for a total bachelor's degree cost of \$37,160.

You just saved \$19,840 by attending Delta for two years!

### Cost of a bachelor's degree

Earn up to 90 credits at Delta to maximize your savings and degree potential.

Delta Credits	90	62	30	0
Delta Cost	\$13,950	\$9,610	\$4,650	\$0
University Credits	30	58	90	120
University Cost	\$14,250	\$27,550	\$42,750	\$57,000
Outcome	Associate's and Bachelor's	Associate's and Bachelor's	Bachelor's	Bachelor's
Tuition Total	\$28,200	\$37,160	\$47,400	\$57,000

University cost is based on \$475/credit hour, which is rough average of in-state tuition and fees for nearby universities, 7/25/23. Does not include living expenses.

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# Ways to maximize your credit transfer.

### **Articulation Agreements**

Delta has pre-approved transfer pathways in place with many colleges and universities. These pathways are called articulation agreements. Often called 2+2 or 3+1 agreements, they allow you to transfer 62 (2 years) or 90 (3 years) of Delta credits to your transfer institution.

See your options at delta.edu/transfer

### MiTransfer Pathways

These statewide transfer agreements allow you to transfer your associate degree (usually 62 credits), including specific major courses, to your chosen university's bachelor degree program.

#### Delta's MiTransfer areas of study:

Art | Biology | Business Studies | Communication | Criminal Justice | Exercise Science | Mechanical Engineering | Psychology | Public Health | Social Work

See your options at delta.edu/mitransfer

# A plan to get you started.

### Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA)

Know you want to transfer, but unsure where to start? Start with the MTA. The MTA allows you to transfer a minimum of 30 credits to meet general education requirements for a bachelor's degree at most Michigan colleges and universities. You enroll in classes from a variety of general education categories and earn a C or higher in each course to fulfill the MTA.

The MTA fits into Delta's Associate in Arts and Associate in Science degrees, so once you narrow down your transfer destination you can seamlessly continue in your Delta degree as you finish specific major courses.

### Follow these steps for a smooth transfer

- 1. Start at delta.edu/transfer to research your options.
- 2. Meet with your Delta Student Success Advisor and future university's advisor for recommendations and transfer information. Establishing an early connection is important.
- 3. Create your custom transfer pathway.
- 4. Follow your transfer guide.