



how to prepare for a 4 -year program while you're in a 2-year program

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- ★ Begin talking to your advisor about transferring **right away**
  - *Say*, “I am planning on pursuing my bachelors degree when I finish here. What should I be doing now to prepare?”
- ★ Be sure to ask about a “ **Transfer Agreement** ”
- ★ Pick courses that are a part of your degree program
- ★ **Research transfer guidelines** at the school(s) you like
  - Be sure you're going to be admissible when you apply
  - **All NSHE institutions** have transfer agreements with each other!

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- ★ National research shows that **students who finish their program at a community college are much more likely to complete a bachelor's degree** than students who take classes without pursuing a degree
  
- ★ If you have an associate's degree from an NSHE school, **you will automatically be a junior when you transfer to another NSHE institution**
  - All your general education courses will be covered
  - If you follow your **transfer agreement** , all your credits will transfer.

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- ★ Examine **ALL four -year options** available - the school you liked when you were in high school might not be the best choice now
- ★ Look into **scholarship and funding options for transfer students** at the university you like
- ★ Find out if you have to be **accepted into your particular program** at the 4-year institution
  - You may need to complete an additional application after you're admitted to the school (i.e. nursing, business)
- ★ Make sure all your **classes will transfer and ask your advisor** to confirm your choices

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- ★ Use your advisor ! They are trained in the transfer process.
- ★ Most universities have an **admission counselor who handles transfer students** - call or email him/her
  - *Example:* “By the end of this year I will have my associates of science from CSN, and I am hoping to transfer to UNR to study nursing. What should I keep in mind as I begin applying to UNR?”
- ★ School websites can be confusing - advocate for yourself by **asking questions** .

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- ★ It may seem like a waste of time since you've already been in college, but **every school is different.**
- ★ **Attend orientation** and ask questions so you can feel more confident starting at your new school.
  - Transferring can be scary - **use every resource** to help make it easier!