TRANSFER PATHWAYS FOR QCC ENGINEERING PROGRAMS 2021-2022

QCC Program	Articulation Agreement	MassTransfer Agreement-A2B Degrees
Engineering	WPI	UMass-Amherst, UMass-Dartmouth, UMass-Lowell
Engineering-Biomedical Option	WPI	UMass-Amherst, UMass-Dartmouth, UMass-Lowell

Articulation agreement with WPI:

Benefits: Guaranteed admission, full associate degree credit transfer, potential application fee waiver, potential transfer scholarship eligibility for PTK members.

Requirements: Graduate with specified final GPA of 3.3 GPA or higher. Follow regular transfer application process described at WPI website under "transfer admissions." Students must fulfill any missing general education coursework after transfer.

• WPI agreement details: https://www.qcc.edu/services/transfer/transfer-agreements

MassTransfer A2B agreements with UMass campuses:

Benefits: Guaranteed admission, full associate degree credit transfer, FREE MassTransfer application, potential tuition waiver, potential transfer scholarship eligibility (availability and process varies among UMass campuses).

Requirements: Graduate with minimum 2.7 GPA. Follow MassTransfer application process. Students must fulfill any missing general education coursework after transfer; MassTransfer general education foundation "block" benefit is not included. See other side of this sheet for MassTransfer general education foundation benefit details.

MassTransfer "A2B Degree" details: https://www.mass.edu/masstransfer/home.asp

Do you have to transfer to a school where there is an agreement?

No, you can transfer wherever you meet the transfer admissions requirements. These requirements vary from school to school but will generally include

- GPA requirement ranging from 2.5 to 3.5 or higher, depending on selectivity.
- Completed prerequisite courses including the Calculus, General Physics, Engineering courses in semesters 1 & 2 at QCC with minimum grades of "C" or higher.
- A mix of general coursework like ENG 101/102, as well as Humanities and Social Science electives. These courses are bachelor's degree requirements outside of the engineering core curriculum.

What grades transfer?

General transfer credit policy varies from school to school, with C- being the typical minimum grade. HOWEVER, for courses that are prerequisites or part of a major (like Engineering), C or higher grades are usually required. The QCC-WPI agreement specifies that all courses must be completed with B or higher, although math may transfer with B- grade or higher. Transfer admissions representatives at four-year schools can confirm their specific policies.

At the new school, you may be required to complete other prerequisite/core courses not offered at QCC. This also varies from school to school, and by engineering concentration. We recommend that you meet with the transfer admissions representatives at four-year schools early on to review your academic record and the QCC Engineering curriculum. You can confirm whether there are additional prerequisites to take before transferring. Print your QCC grades at *The Q*/student portal to discuss with transfer admissions representatives.

The MassTransfer General Education Foundation Benefit

Under the statewide MassTransfer program, QCC students who complete a specified block of general education coursework *prior to transfer* can have comparable general education requirements waived when they enroll at a state university or University of Massachusetts campus.

The general education course categories are as follows:

- Behavioral and Social Sciences (9 cr.)
- Natural and Physical Sciences (7/8 cr.)
- Humanities and Fine Arts (9 cr.)
- English Composition/Writing (6 cr.)
- Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning (3 cr.)

Total: 34-35 credits

Three conditions apply:

- 1. This block of coursework must be completed at QCC prior to transfer
- 2. Eligible students must have overall GPAs of 2.0 or higher (not counting developmental courses)
- 3. Courses must be completed with D grades or higher

At QCC, the general education block of coursework is included in a number of associate degree program. However, most QCC STEM programs--including Engineering--do not contain all of the required courses. Engineering students can take additional coursework to complete the general education block prior to transfer. However, we STRONGLY ENCOURAGE students to speak with transfer admissions representatives BEFORE deciding to take additional courses. In some cases, it is better for QCC students to transfer without completing the general education foundation coursework due to upper-division course sequencing at UMass campuses.

Can you do a QCC degree audit for the MassTransfer General Education Foundation coursework?

The answer is "yes!" Whether you use QCC Net or The Q/portal, you can do a "what if" degree audit for what is called the "MassTransfer block" (the former name of the General Education Foundation). It will show what, if any, courses you have taken towards the block by category. You can confirm what you have completed, or have left to complete.

Reverse Transfer

A student who transfers without finishing at QCC can still graduate with an associate degree. During or after transfer, the student gives permission for registrar's offices at QCC and the other school to share academic information. When the student completes all missing courses at the new school, that registrar sends transcripts back to the QCC registrar to apply toward the associate degree. QCC then awards the diploma.

- Students transferring to a public university can sign up at the state Department of Higher Education website: https://www.mass.edu/masstransfer/tools/reverse.asp.
- Students who transfer to private institutions can work directly with QCC and four-year institution registrar offices.

Getting started

Transfer Services keeps a list of admissions representatives at popular transfer destinations that we are happy to provide via email; print copies are also available. You can also contact the admissions office at another school directly and ask for the transfer admissions representative.

Be sure to check the QCC weekly student events calendar to see dates when four-year colleges are on campus. These are perfect opportunities to talk more about transfer agreements as well as general transfer related topics. Contact QCC Transfer Services with any additional questions or concerns.