



Credit Transfer Acknowledgement Form

NINE STAR UNIVERSITY OF HEALTH SCIENCES (NSU) welcomes applications from students who have attended or are currently attending other Acupuncture/Oriental Medicine programs or universities/colleges. NSU considers that transferring from another institution is an important decision and makes every effort to ensure that the student is fully informed of all the issues to make an informed decision. Transfer students must meet the current admission standards, follow the same application procedures, and are required to meet the graduation requirements at the time of admission. *Please read NSU's transfer requirements, complete and send this form to the NSU school office.*

STUDENT INFORMATION

Last Name _____ First Name _____ STUDENT ID _____ Program _____

Address: _____ City _____ State _____ Zipcode _____

Tel # _____ E-Mail _____ Expected Graduate Date _____

Previous Attended School: _____ Enrollment Period: _____

School Address: _____ City _____ State _____ Zipcode _____

Total Completed Credits/Units: _____ Total Completed Clinic Hours: _____ Total GPA: _____

NSU TRANSFER ADMISSION

To wish to transfer from other schools of Oriental medicine, NSU accepts students who meet the following requirements:

1. good standing (a minimum cumulative gpa of 2.25);
2. meet the current admission standards and follow the same application procedures;
3. submit official master's degree transcripts from all institutions attended by the transferring student;
4. submit further items such as documentation of clinical training hours, course syllabi and/or course descriptions;
5. meet the graduation requirements at the time of admission.

All transfer credit is granted by the end of the first year of enrollment in the program. Coursework taken at another institution after admission to NSU is not transferable unless approved in advance in written by the Academic Dean. Students may not be concurrently enrolled in another Oriental Medicine program.

Evaluation of Transfer Credit

For transfer credit to be awarded, the student must request a transcript review in writing. Request forms are available from the Registrar. Transfer credit requests are reviewed by the Registrar or Academic Officer and approved by the Academic Dean.

For evaluation of transfer credit, applicants must provide official transcripts sent directly from their school to the NSU Office of Admissions. Some applicants may also be asked to provide course syllabi. Transcripts from foreign countries must be translated into English and evaluated by an approved credentials evaluation service that is a member in good standing with the National Association of Credential Evaluation Services (NACES). The entire evaluation record and award of transfer credit is included in the student's academic file.

Transfer Credit Fee

For each credit reviewed and approved for transfer, a \$15.00/credit fee will apply, up to a maximum of \$100.00.

Transfer Credit requirements

Transfer students are required to successfully complete a minimum one (1) academic year of the program as a full-time student (48 units) in residence to graduate from NSU.

Credit shall be awarded only for actual coursework at the graduate level completed in the specified area of the curriculum.

The final grade in the transferred course must be no less than “C” (2.0 on a 4.0 scale).

A course under consideration is evaluated for equivalency to the comparable NSU course. Factors considered in determining equivalency are as follows:

- Equivalency of core subject matter;
- Equivalency of course hours. Transfer credit for courses that contained 90% or more of the course hours of instruction required for the comparable NSU course may be transferred without additional testing or tutoring.

Transfer credit will be accepted for Acupuncture and Oriental medicine coursework that has been successfully completed at an institution accredited by an agency recognized by the US Secretary of Education and approved by the California Acupuncture Board, if the courses are equivalent in content to NSU courses.

Actual Western medical coursework that has been successfully completed at an institution accredited by an agency recognized by the US Secretary of Education, or in the case of foreign candidates, the appropriate governmental agency, up to 20% transfer credit **may** be awarded in relevant subject matter areas.

Actual Acupuncture and Oriental medicine coursework that has been successfully completed at an institution accredited but not approved by the California Acupuncture Board, or in the case of foreign candidates, the appropriate governmental agency, up to 20% transfer credit **may** be awarded in relevant subject matter areas.

A maximum of 20% of the actual clinical coursework and instruction required at NSU may be awarded if the clinical coursework to be transferred has been completed at an institution accredited or approved by an agency recognized by the US Secretary of Education or the appropriate governmental agency if from a country outside of the United States.

No credit will be awarded from Western medical internship or residency training toward the actual clinical coursework and instruction required at Nine Star University of Health Sciences.

Courses completed over ten years ago cannot be transferred unless the student currently works in a field relevant to the courses. In some special conditions, if courses completed over ten years ago, students may be able to take challenge exam upon the approval of Academic Dean.

In addition, NSU may require the student to take an examination in the subject areas to demonstrate a level of knowledge comparable to that achieved by a Nine Star University student in these same subject areas before credit is awarded.

NSU does not accept credit through prior learning assessment using either or a combination of the following assessment techniques:

(1) Credit by examination through the use of standardized tests. Credit by examination can be earned through successful testing and the recommended college credit equivalencies of the College Scholarship Service's AP (Advanced Placement) examinations, the College Scholarship Service's CLEP (College Level Examination Program) examinations, the American College Testing PEP (Proficiency Examination Program) examinations, PONSI (N.Y. State Department of Education Program on Non-collegiate Sponsored Instruction), the USAFI (U.S. Armed Forces Institute) program, and the DANTES (Defense Activity for Non-Traditional Education Support) tests.

(2) Assignment of credit for military and corporate training based on recommendations established by the American Council on Education. Credit for military and corporate training may be assigned according to the recommendations established by the American Council on Education in The National Guide to Educational Credit for Training Programs and the Guide to the Evaluation of Educational Experience in the Armed Services.

Some state licensing agencies and some institutions may not accept prior learning assessment credits that have been awarded by a non-regionally accredited institution.

NSU does not currently have an articulation or transfer agreement with any other college or university.

The following notice is also included in the enrollment agreement:

NOTICE CONCERNING TRANSFERABILITY OF CREDITS AND CREDENTIALS EARNED AT OUR INSTITUTION: The transferability of credits you earn at Nine Star University of Health Sciences is at the complete discretion of an institution to which you may seek to transfer. Acceptance of the credits, degree, diploma, or certificate you earn in the educational program is also at the complete discretion of the institution to which you may seek to transfer. If the credits, degree, diploma, or certificate that you earn at this institution are not accepted at the institution to which you seek to transfer, you may be required to repeat some or all your coursework at that institution. For this reason, you should make certain that your attendance at this institution will meet your educational goals. This may include contacting an institution to which you may seek to transfer after attending Nine Star University of Health Sciences to determine if your credits or degree, diploma or certificate will transfer.

PLEASE ACKNOWLEDGE YOUR UNDERSTANDING

I have read TRANSFER POLICY provided to students at NSU. I understand that all transfer students are required to complete admission applications and/or clinic documents/files to be enrolled and charged for the transfer fee during my enrollment at NSU.

Student Name (PRINT)

Signature of Student

Date