

Information for Transfer Students



A Welcoming Community

Transferring is a big decision. We get it! This is why we offer a variety of support programs and experiences just for transfers to ease the transition and make the adjustment to campus fun and memorable.

Living-Learning Communities

Make new friends and become part of a close community of peers through shared residential and academic experiences.

Transfer Orientation Programs

Feel more prepared, confident, and excited about joining the Rutgers family.

Transfer Mentorship Program

Team up with a transfer mentor who's "been there, done that!" to help you adjust to life at Rutgers. One day, you might become a mentor for another incoming student!

Students in Transition Seminar*

A mandatory 1-credit course that will introduce you to the skills necessary to be successful in and outside the classroom.

Tau Sigma Honor Society (Gamma Xi Chapter)*

A national honor society for transfers that recognizes high academic achievement and promotes involvement at Rutgers.

*School of Arts and Sciences students only



"Transferring to Rutgers transformed my college experience! I found a vibrant campus, explored my Hispanic heritage, and gained professional experience, including landing an internship through an alumnus. Now, I lead three student organizations and feel more confident in who I am and where I'm headed."

Edwin E.

Major: Electrical and Computer Engineering

Application Requirements

- Online application at admissions.rutgers.edu/apply
- \$70 application fee (nonrefundable)
- Transcripts from every college you have attended
 - Unofficial transcripts are accepted for application review and can be uploaded via the application. Final official transcripts are required from admitted students who indicate the intention to enroll.
- Official high school transcript if less than 24 college credits are completed at the time of application
- Official GED results (if applicable)
- Standardized test scores are not required. If you graduated from high school less than two years ago and do not have 12 or more subsequent college credits completed with grades by the application due date, you may submit a standardized test score.

Application Due Dates

- Fall Admission: February 1*
- Spring Admission: October 1

Spring admission is not available for all Rutgers–New Brunswick schools. Check availability at go.rutgers.edu/schools.

*Fall applicants to Mason Gross in Music and Theater are strongly encouraged to apply by December 1 to ensure full access to audition dates and locations.

Transfer Credit Evaluation

- This evaluation will be conducted after you have been accepted and confirmed your intention to enroll.
- New Jersey community college students should consult NJTransfer.org and select Transcript Evaluation (under the Students menu) for a preliminary unofficial transcript evaluation.
- In general, credit is given for courses taken at accredited colleges and universities that are the equivalent of courses offered by Rutgers, provided a grade of at least a C has been earned.

General Transfer Guidelines

- 24+ college-level academic credits completed by expected semester of entry
- 3.0+ cumulative GPA
- No grade declines in recent coursework (no grades of D or F within the last 24 credits completed and most recent term GPA \geq 2.7)
- Any remedial coursework must be completed (not in progress) by the application due date.
- English Comp I is recommended to be completed or in progress by the application due date.
- AP scores of 4 or 5 may be used to meet school-specific recommendations. Official AP scores must be sent directly to Rutgers for review.
- Required STEM courses may not be more than 10 years old to fulfill required prerequisites.
- College prep curriculum completed in high school (See courses at go.rutgers.edu/entrance.)
- New Jersey community college students are advised to follow the curriculum for their major at NJtransfer.org under “Transfer Programs.”
- Students not attending a New Jersey community college should visit rutgers.edu/academics/catalogs and follow the curriculum for their intended major.
- Students who did not graduate from high school in the U.S. should visit go.rutgers.edu/nbinternational.

Transfer Scholarships

Transfer scholarships are competitive and awarded based on academic strength, the quality of the applicant pool, and available funding. To be considered, apply and submit all required credentials by the application due date (Oct. 1–spring or Feb. 1–fall). Only scholarship recipients will be notified.

Phi Theta Kappa (\$8,000 per year)

Students must be active Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society members at the time of application and indicate so on their Rutgers application, be enrolled full time, and earn an associate’s degree in arts or science by the time of enrollment. Recipients traditionally have between a 3.9 and 4.0 cumulative grade-point average in all completed college courses.

Francis B. and Paige D. L’Hommedieu (\$1,750–\$3,500 per year)

Students must earn an associate’s degree in arts or science by June 1 and have a minimum cumulative grade-point average of 3.8 for consideration.

For additional scholarship consideration criteria, visit go.rutgers.edu/nbscholarships.

Other Award Opportunities

NJ DREAMers: DREAMers are able to attend Rutgers using the scholarship funds provided by TheDream.US. Visit thedream.us for eligibility requirements and application guidelines.

NJ STARS II: Eligible students attending NJ community colleges receive financial assistance to transfer to a four-year university in NJ to earn a bachelor’s degree. For full details about NJ STARS II eligibility requirements, visit hesaa.org.

Scarlet Guarantee and Garden State Guarantee: Full-time New Jersey residents who have completed their FAFSA or NJAFSA may have all 4 years of their tuition and mandatory fees covered depending on Adjusted Gross Income (AGI). These programs are last-dollar financial aid awards. Visit newbrunswick.rutgers.edu/admissions-tuition/scarlet-guarantee for more details.

School-Specific Recommendations

For the best opportunity for admission and academic progress, applicants are encouraged to complete all of the prerequisite courses listed.

School of Arts and Sciences

- 4-credit Calculus is strongly recommended for Computer Science majors.

School of Environmental and Biological Sciences

- Biology I and Biology II (taken at the same college), Chemistry, and Pre-Calculus or higher level math

Rutgers Business School

- Pre-Calculus (two 3-credit or one 4-credit) and at least two foundation courses OR...
- Calculus (3- or 4-credit) and at least one foundation course (Calculus is strongly recommended if transferring with 40 or more credits.)
 - Foundation courses include: Intro to Microeconomics, Intro to Macroeconomics, and Introductory Statistics for Business.
- Students are advised to complete all foundation courses as soon as possible.

School of Engineering

- Calculus I and Calculus II (4-credit), calculus-based Physics I, and Chemistry I
 - Previously awarded transfer credit by institutional proficiency or placement exams, including CLEP, does not fulfill the requirement.
- No grades of D or F in key courses (math, physics, other sciences, and engineering courses)

Ernest Mario School of Pharmacy

- Complete all preprofessional courses or be in the process of completion at time of application (See courses at go.rutgers.edu/pharm-preprofessional.)
- 60 or more credits completed by expected semester of entry
- Interview may be required

Mason Gross School of the Arts

- 12+ college-level academic credits
- A competitive portfolio, audition, or interview

School of Management and Labor Relations

- 30 or more credits completed by expected semester of entry

Edward J. Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy

- 30 or more credits completed by expected semester of entry
- Specific course requirements vary by major (must be completed with a grade of C or better):
 - City and Regional Planning: English I & II
 - Health Administration: English I & II and Statistics
 - Public Health: English I & II; Statistics (at least 200 level); Biology I, Anatomy & Physiology I, or Intro to Human Ecology; and Chemistry I
 - Public Policy: English I & II
 - Urban Planning and Design: English I & II

School of Nursing

- RN to BSN degree open to RNs only

Note: Students interested in Teacher Education should apply to an undergraduate school and then apply to the Rutgers Graduate School of Education during their junior year.