

Transfer Credit for Physics Courses

Transfer credit is awarded for courses that you took at another College or University before enrolling at Penn. We ask for materials related to the course in order to evaluate how the course difficulty and coverage compare to the equivalent course at Penn. This evaluation is done separately for the in-class and lab portions of the course. Depending on the course you took, you may receive credit at Penn for the in-class portion, the lab portion or both.

In order to get credit for the course we will need the following information:

- Name of the university where you took the course
- Number of the equivalent course at Penn. (See our Course Catalog for further information)
- Verification that the course was taught by a member of the standing faculty of the university, and that the course was open to regularly enrolled undergraduate students of the university. For example, the instructor name, etc. could come from a copy of the course syllabus (see below).
- A copy of the course syllabus from the term that you were enrolled.
- Your Final and Midterm Exams for the course.
- If you wish to receive credit for the lab portion of the course, we need to review ALL lab reports from the course. If you cannot provide all the lab reports, please provide as many as possible, along with a list of all the labs that were performed.

These materials are submitted for evaluation using the online system XCAT (preferred), and we make every effort to evaluate the file within 4 weeks. If necessary, materials may also be submitted to the Physics Undergraduate Office, DRL room 2E1. If you use this option, you should consider making copies of these documents if you want to be sure to have them for the future.