

Carnegie Mellon University: Transfer Credit Policies - Summer 2020

For summer 2020, all Carnegie Mellon colleges are willing to consider allowing online courses to transfer in for credit towards their majors and minors. Each college, school, department or program has provided some guiding principles for evaluating these courses which are below. All courses must be pre-approved to ensure the guidelines below can be met. If a student fails to receive approval before taking the course, credit is not guaranteed.

COLLEGE OF FINE ARTS

Online courses will be accepted in general, but they must receive prior approval, which is at the discretion of each School's advisor.

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Transfer of engineering courses is historically rare, but engineering programs may consider online courses for transfer credit.

The courses should be of similar content/quality to CMU engineering courses, and students should provide evidence of proctored exams with their request to the College of Engineering for review.

DIETRICH COLLEGE

(in alphabetical order by department)

Economics:

Online courses will be accepted. The university has to provide information as to how exams will be proctored, and how they can demonstrate that the stated person did their own work, etc.

***All economics courses must be approved by the Economics Program whether or not they will be used for the economics major or minor.*

English:

Online courses will be accepted.

History:

Online courses will be accepted.

There is a cap of 4 transfer courses towards the majors and 2 for the minors in the department.

Information Systems:

Online courses will be accepted.

Institute for Politics and Strategy:

Online courses will be accepted.

Modern Languages:

Online courses will be accepted.

***All language courses must be approved by Modern Languages whether or not they will be used towards a Modern Languages major or minor.*

Philosophy:

Online courses will be accepted.

Psychology:

Online courses will be accepted.

Social and Decision Sciences:

Online courses will be accepted.

Statistics:

Online courses will be permitted if the class is typically offered in-person but has moved online due to COVID-19. This must be verified through a statement on the syllabus, an email from the professor, or a university statement.

MELLON COLLEGE OF SCIENCE

All MCS departments will consider online courses for transfer credit. The courses should be of similar content/quality to the CMU courses and students should provide evidence of proctored exams with their request for review.

SCHOOL OF COMPUTER SCIENCE

Online courses will be considered for transfer credit if they have a significant portion of the grade determined by testing assessments (approximately 50% or more) with testing accommodations (proctoring, limited-time open book) that can reasonably assure that students have the core knowledge expected from the courses.

TEPPER SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

Tepper will review online courses for course content, rigor, assessment protocols, and institutional equivalency.

STUDYING ABROAD IN SUMMER 2020

OIE advises that some study abroad programs will offer online courses for students in summer 2020. All students taking online courses from programs/institutions located outside the US, should work with OIE/Study Abroad to complete the Study Abroad Transfer Credit (SATC) process prior to the start of the summer semester.

- IMPORTANT NOTES:
 - This applies no matter where the student is physically while they are taking the course.
 - This also applies to students living abroad this summer taking a course(s) in their home country (outside of the US).
 - This information will be helpful to OIE with both near-term and longer-term planning.