Transfer Student FAQ

Q: How do I apply?

A: That's easy. You may apply "on-line" right from here. If you'd prefer a "paper" application, you can request that "on-line" by clicking here or call the Admissions Office at 1-800-2DELVAL or (215) 489-2211 to request one.

Q: May transfer students apply for either the Fall and Spring semester?

A: Yes, you may apply at any time for either Fall or Spring semesters.

Q: Is there a separate transfer application?

A: No. We use the same application for all students. This application contains specific questions for transfer students.

Q: Besides my application, what else do you need?

A: We will need you to send us official transcripts from each institution of higher education that you have attended. ALSO, we will need an official high school transcript.

Q: Are you looking for any specific coursework?

A: You will need to have successfully completed High School level Algebra I and II. For majors that require Biology and Chemistry as part of their curriculum you will need to have completed high school Biology and Chemistry. For majors that do not require Biology and Chemistry, you will need to have completed either Biology or Chemistry.

Q: May you use a college level course to cover a course missing from high school?

A: Yes, you may.

Q: Do I have to write the essay?

A: No. This is something we only require of high school students.

Q: Do you require transfer students to have SAT scores?

A: For transfer students with a minimum of 15 transferable credits, we waive our
requirement of SAT scores.

Q: What if my transferable credits are less than 15?

A: In this case, we will look at your high school GPA and your SAT scores for admission to the College.

Q: What if I don't have 15 transferable credits and did not take the SAT exam?

A: In this case, we recommend taking additional college level courses at your local community college or taking the SAT exam. Again, call our Transfer Coordinator if you need help.

Q: How long will it take before I know if I have been accepted?

A: If we have all the information we need, you should hear from us regarding your acceptance to DelVal within two to three weeks. Please don't hesitate to contact our Transfer Coordinator to check on the status of your application.

Q: How many credits do you accept?

A: It depends. If you are attempting to complete your first Bachelor's degree, the number may vary between 63 and 70 depending on your major. However, regardless of how many credits you transfer into DVC, you must complete at least 60 credits at DVC. At least 21 credits of those must be taken within your major to earn a Bachelor's degree from Delaware Valley College.

If you will be pursuing a second Bachelor's degree, then you must complete at least 48 credits at DVC with a minimum of 15 credits within your major.

Q: What courses transfer to DVC?

A: We will consider for transfer any college level course from a regionally accredited institution of higher education in which you have earned a grade of "C" or better. There is only one instance when we will transfer a course where the grade earned is below a "C". If a grade is below a "C" in a sequential course (i.e. Biology I), the credits will be transferred providing the grade earned in the succeeding sequential course (i.e. Biology II) is "C" or better.

Q: Do grades transfer with your courses?

A: No.

Q: When will I find out how many of my credits will transfer?

A: After you have been admitted to the college, you will receive an official credit
Q: When will I meet with my Advisor?

A: For registration for classes, you will meet with your Department Chair after your credit evaluation has been completed and you have paid your deposit. However, at any time you should feel free to contact one of our Department Chairs if you would like to discuss your intended major.

Q: Do you have any Scholarship money available for transfer students?

A: Yes, we do. Every transfer student with a cumulative college GPA of 2.5 or higher is eligible for a scholarship award. Our transfer scholarships range from $5,000 to $8,000 per academic year.

Q: Is there any special paperwork that I need to fill out for scholarship consideration?

A: No. As our scholarships are based upon academic criteria, we will get the information we need directly from your official transcripts.

Q: What are the advantages of a DelVal education?

A: Those are numerous: small class size, hands-on education, classes taught by professors and our employment program.

Q: What is your "employment program?"

A: Our employment is a graduation requirement for all students that involves working within your major field of study while going to school. Freshmen are required to complete 960 hours of documented work in their field. This number will be prorated for transfer students based upon the number of transfer credits accepted at DelVal.

Q: Is there housing available for transfer students?

A: Yes. Housing is assigned based on availability and then on a "first come first serve" basis. If you are interested in living on campus, make sure you indicate this on your application.

Q: If I earned a GED is that a problem?

A: No. We will need you to send us a copy of your GED certificate.

Q: Do you need a copy of my high school transcript if I earned a GED?
A: Yes. From your high school and college transcripts, we will be trying to ascertain your Math and Science background.

Q: Do you need catalogs from the schools I have attended?

A: If we need a catalog, we will give you a call.