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"New First-Time Freshmen" refers to students who have never completed any college credit after high school graduation. Students who complete college coursework while still in high school (known as Dual Enrollment Credit) qualify as new first-time freshman.

New first-time freshman may transfer a maximum of 36 semester hours of credit from AP/IB/CLEP and/or transfer credit toward their undergraduate degree requirements under the following conditions:

1. The college course must have been conducted in conjunction with a regionally accredited institution of higher education. Students are required to produce an official transcript from the partner higher education institution. High School transcripts will not be accepted for transfer credit.

2. The student must have earned a grade of B or higher in such transfer courses. Grades of B- or below, P, S, or CR will not be granted credit.

3. Students awarded such transfer credit are limited to a maximum of 36 semester hours for the combined total of AP credit, IB credit, CLEP, and/or transfer credit.

4. The transfer credits will be applied toward the normal 120 credit hour graduation requirement and be consistent with transfer articulation rules in effect for Core, Major, School, or Elective credit.

5. An exception may be granted to students who attended a high school in which students may earn an Associate of Arts (AA) or Associate of Science (AS) degree while in high school; students who earn an AA or AS degree while in high school may be granted up to 64 semester hours of eligible credit. (An Associate of Applied Science or other terminal associate's degree does not qualify for this exception.)

6. Completion of an AA or AS degree does not exempt new first-time freshman from Loyola’s Core Curriculum. Credits with a grade of B or higher will be evaluated course by course and applied to individual Core requirements if applicable. Students will need to take additional Core classes to complete their Core requirements.

7. This policy will be administered by the Office of Registration and Records.

- For questions concerning core requirements, please contact your Academic Advisor.
- AP/IB/CLEP information can be found at: https://www.luc.edu/undergrad/academics/creditbyexam/
- Course equivalency information can be checked using the MyList tool in LOCUS or Transferology (https://www.transferology.com/login.htm).

This policy applies to students admitted during the Fall of 2013 or later.

Credit not eligible for transfer includes:

- Trade school, job training, or adult/continuing education courses
- Developmental courses (below 100-level)
- English as a Second Language (ESL) course credit
- Courses from institutions that are not regionally accredited