AP, IB, Dual Enrollment

Wofford policies regarding the acceptance of degree credits earned prior to a student graduating from high school are aimed at rewarding academic achievement while sustaining the belief that the most fulfilling Wofford experience is one that encompasses four years. Wofford values the academic preparation a student undertakes while in high school whether that is through traditional high school courses, advanced placement, or dual enrollment, but considers that work foundational. Consequently, new first-year students are limited in the number of credit hours they can be awarded prior to matriculation. These limits are as follows:

1. A maximum of 24 credit hours earned prior to enrollment may be awarded to first-year students from all sources, including but not limited to Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, dual enrollment, CLEP, and all other college credit.

2. Students who legitimately exceed the 24 credit hour limit may choose which credits will apply. Students may adjust their credits at any time by contacting the Registrar’s Office.

3. Immaterial of the credit granted, individual programs have the prerogative to determine equivalencies, waive lower-level requirements, and place students in appropriate courses.

Dual/Joint Enrollment

Due to unique nature of dual/joint enrollment programs, a number of special conditions apply to these credits:

1. Courses/credit hours used to meet high school graduation requirements will not be applied to the Wofford degree.

2. Students must complete the First-Year Student Credit Transfer Request form (http://wwwwofford.edu/uploadedFiles/First-Year%20Student%20Credit%20Transfer%20Request.pdf) and submit it to the Office of the Registrar prior to the credits being added to the Wofford transcript.

3. An official transcript from the institution of higher education awarding the credit must be sent to the Registrar’s Office.

4. Credit will not be awarded from the high school transcript. The grade earned in the course, must be a ‘C’ or higher.

Advanced Placement (AP)

A score of 4 or higher must be made on each test for the work to be awarded credit at Wofford. The one scoring exception is the Calculus BC test on which a score of 3 or higher must be earned. Students must request official scores from the College Board be sent directly to Wofford College in order to be evaluated for credit. Other policy variances include the provisions that no credit is awarded for the International English Language Exam; students completing the Physics C examinations must make acceptable scores on BOTH tests to receive exemption and/or credit; and that for prospective chemistry majors a validation test is required in order to receive credit for both Chemistry 123 and 124. A complete listing of AP scores (http://wwwwofford.edu/registrar/apChart.aspx) and the equivalent credits awarded can be found online.

International Baccalaureate (IB)

Wofford offers credit for higher level IB examinations with a score of 5 or higher. No credit is awarded for standard level courses. An IB Transcript of Results must be requested by the student and sent directly to Wofford College from the International Baccalaureate Organization. A complete listing of IB scores (http://wwwwofford.edu/registrar/ibchart) and the equivalent credits awarded can be found online.

College Level Examination Program (CLEP)

While Wofford does not award credit on the basis of General Examinations, credit may be awarded for the Subject examinations. However, in order to be awarded credit the exams must be completed and the scores reported to the Office of the Registrar prior to enrollment. Students must request a CLEP transcript from the College Board be sent to Wofford for evaluation and awarding of credit. CLEP Information and FAQs (http://wwwwofford.edu/registrar/clep) can be found on the Registrar’s website.

Cambridge International Examinations (CIE)

Wofford awards six to eight hours credit per class for A levels with a grade of A or B as long as the CIE subject is within the Wofford curriculum.

Military Experience

Students who are or were eligible members of the United States Armed Forces may earn Wofford college credit for college-level training and education acquired while serving in the military. Students with military training or coursework that is recognized by the American Council on Education (ACE) may be granted college credit subject to institutional transfer practices on equivalencies, limitations, levels, etc. Military training and coursework will be accorded the same treatment as any other transfer credit with the addition of the ACE Guide to the Evaluation of Education Experiences in the Armed Services for determining equivalency and alignment of military coursework with Wofford college courses. If the coursework fulfills a general education, major, or other degree requirement, the credit will be granted for meeting that requirement. Appropriate course credit may include free elective course credits which come with hours toward graduation, but do not fulfill a specific requirement. The ACE website, College Credit for Military Service (http://www.acenet.edu/higher-education/topics/Pages/College-Credit-for-Military-Service.aspx), outlines their policies, recommendations, and guidelines. Former enlisted personnel who have served at least six months on active service in the armed forces may be granted three hours elective credit for that experience. If they have served for two or more years, they may receive six hours elective credit.