

Transfer of Credit for Matriculated Students

The Graduate school at Northwestern University does not accept transfer of credit from another institution once a student has enrolled and matriculated as a degree seeking student at NU.

Transfer of Credit for Applicants to the MPH Program

This policy applies to transfer of formal credit by applicants to the Northwestern University MPH Program for academic elective courses completed at other institutions. Also, students who have acquired skills and knowledge covered by MPH courses at other institutions may opt to “place out” of these courses if they are deemed to be qualified.

Policy:

- 1.) Upon review of the applicant’s transcript and application, the MPH Program Associate Director for Admissions and Graduate Affairs will make a recommendation to the Graduate School to allow a certain number of units for transfer.
- 2.) Transfer of credit for core courses will not be allowed.
- 3.) Students may use experience at other institutions to receive advanced placement for core courses. Note that “placing out” allows students to take more advanced courses, but does not confer formal academic credit. Therefore, students will be allowed to place out of introduction courses by taking the final exam. Upon successfully passing the final exam, students can then forego taking the core introductory course and instead take an elective course.
- 4.) Outside electives that don’t differ sufficiently from the core courses will not be allowed.