



GADSDEN STATE Transfer Scholarship Guide



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Jacksonville State University

Transfer students who have been unconditionally admitted to JSU will automatically be considered for the President’s Scholarship if they meet the minimum transferable 3.5 GPA at Gadsden State, have earned an Associate Degree, and have never attended JSU or another four-year university as a full-time student. Students earning a scholarship will be notified via their JSU email account. The scholarship must be accepted within 30 days of the offer.

Value of scholarship - \$3,000/semester for 4 semesters.

Scholarship deadline - March 1

JSU Scholarship Website: www.jsu.edu/finaid/scholarships/new-merit.html

Competitive Foundation Website: www.jsu.edu/finaid/scholarships/competitive-foundation.html



Auburn University

Students planning to apply for scholarships must complete the admission application with all required materials received by **Jan. 15**.

Application for Admission Link: www.auburn.edu/admissions/attention-applicants.html

Students must complete the scholarship application through the Auburn University Scholarship Opportunity Manager (AUSOM) by **Feb. 10** to receive consideration for Scholarships.

AUSOM Link: www.auburn.edu/scholarship/ausom/index.html

General Scholarship Link: www.auburn.edu/scholarship/undergraduate/general.html

Departmental Scholarship Link: www.auburn.edu/scholarship/undergraduate/departmental.html



The University of Alabama

Transfer students must submit an application for admission and the application for scholarships by **March 1** prior to their intended fall enrollment in order to receive priority consideration for academic scholarships.

Application for Admission Link: www.gobama.ua.edu/apply

Scholarship Application Link: <http://scholarships.ua.edu/application-instructions/>

Transfer Scholarship Information Link: <http://scholarships.ua.edu/transfer/>



The University of Alabama at Birmingham

Transfer students must be admitted to UAB by **March 1**, be enrolled full-time at a community college during 3 of the 4 semesters immediately preceding the March 1 deadline, and have a minimum 3.5 GPA. Transfer students are automatically considered for one of the following scholarships upon admission to UAB:

- Phi Theta Kappa - \$3,000/year – 3.5-4.0 GPA – Must be Phi Theta Kappa member
- Transfer Excellence - \$1,500/year – 3.75-4.0 GPA
- Transfer Scholarship of Distinction - \$1,000/year – 3.5-3.74 GPA
- Joint Admissions Scholarship - \$2,000 - Must be continuously enrolled at Gadsden State for one year; have a 3.0 GPA; and earned an associate degree. Joint Admissions Scholarship can be stacked with the three transfer scholarships.

All scholarships are renewable for a total of two years.

Application for Admission Link: www.uab.edu/students/admissions/apply

Transfer Scholarship Information Link: www.uab.edu/students/paying-for-college/scholarships/transfer

Departmental Scholarships Link: www.uab.edu/students/paying-for-college/scholarships. To be eligible for Departmental Scholarships, students must be admitted to UAB and must apply for scholarships through UAB’s online B-Smart program.



The University of Alabama in Huntsville

Students who submit an Application for Admission and official transcripts are automatically eligible for consideration of the following transfer scholarship awards. No separate scholarship application is required.

- Transfer Merit Scholarship - \$1,500/year – 3.0 GPA
- Super Scholar Transfer Scholarship - \$3,000/year – 3.5 GPA

If GPA increases once final transcript is received putting student in higher scholarship bracket, UAH will automatically upgrade the scholarship.

Departmental Competitive Scholarship Applications for Transfer Students are due by **Dec. 15**. Student must be admitted to UAH to qualify.

Application for Admission Link: www.uah.edu/admissions/undergraduate/additional-info-for/transfer

Transfer Scholarship Information Link: www.uah.edu/admissions/undergraduate/financial-aid/scholarships/transfer-student-scholarships

****GSCC Students – World of Kathy Chan Scholarship/Christel Ludewig McCanless Scholarship – Must complete the Competitive Scholarship Application to apply****



Troy University

A Transfer Merit Scholarship is awarded for students with a 3.5 GPA or higher and would provide a \$3,000 scholarship, while a Transfer Achievement Scholarship for \$2,000 is available to students with a 3.25 GPA. This scholarship will only be available to those students who have completed at least 45 transferable credit hours.

Scholarship Application: forms.troy.edu/forms/scholarship/admissions/TransferMeritandTransferAchievementScholarship.html



University of Montevallo

Transfer students must submit an application for admission along with official transcripts by **June 1**. Transfer students admitted to the University with 30 transfer hours will be included in the applicant pool for the following scholarships:

- Community College President’s Scholarship - \$3,000/year – 3.25 GPA
- Phi Theta Kappa Scholarship - \$1,000/year – 3.0 GPA – Must be Phi Theta Kappa member. The award may be combined with another transfer scholarship.
- Transfer Minority Scholarship - \$3,000/year – 3.0 GPA – Minority Students only

Application for Admission Link: www.montevallo.edu/admissions/undergraduate-admissions/transfer/

Transfer Scholarship Information Link: www.montevallo.edu/admissions/undergraduate-admissions/scholarships/community-college-transfers/

Transfer students must be admitted to Montevallo and apply for departmental scholarships by **March 1**.

Departmental Scholarships: www.montevallo.edu/admissions/undergraduate-admissions/scholarships/scholarships-by-major/



Samford University

Transfer students are encouraged to apply to Samford for scholarships by **April 1**. Scholarship opportunities include:

- Transfer Academic Scholarship - \$1,000-\$10,000 - 3.3 or higher GPA
- Phi Theta Kappa Scholarship - \$2,500 - Must be a member of PTK

- Legacy Scholarship - \$1,000 - Must have a family member who is a Samford alumni - Renewable for four years - 2.5 GPA
- STEM Scholars - \$10,000/year - Transfer students studying in science/math fields - Deadline is **May 1**.

STEM Scholarship Link: www.samford.edu/arts-and-sciences/stem-scholars

Transfer Scholarships Link: www.samford.edu/admission/transfer-scholarships

Application Link: www.samford.edu/admission/apply



Tips for Students Preparing to Transfer

Transitioning from Gadsden State Community College to one of the state's many four-year universities can be seamless with proper planning. Here are some great tips from some of the leading resources to help prepare you for the process.

- 1. Have a good plan, even if it's a tentative plan, for what you want to do. Talk to your advisor sooner rather than later. It is wise to do this as soon as you are admitted to Gadsden State.**
2. Find the college or university that's the best fit for you. Be sure you consider your academic and career goals when choosing your college or university. Plan to attend the Gadsden State Transfer Fair where you can meet with and learn about a variety of four year colleges and universities. During your second semester at Gadsden State, be sure to schedule campus visits to those schools you are considering.
- 3. Become familiar with your chosen university's transfer policies and scholarships that are available to Gadsden State transfer students.**
4. Make sure your credits transfer to the four-year institution. Planning will help ensure that your credits transfer. The STARS Articulation guides can be useful if you are planning to transfer to a public college in Alabama.
- 5. Start collecting applications, letters of recommendation and transcripts during the third semester at Gadsden State. Keep track of all deadlines at the school you choose.**
6. During your third semester, start preparing for financial aid opportunities and scholarships by submitting your transfer application for admission and financial aid application.
- 7. During the fourth semester at Gadsden State, follow up on your transfer and financial aid application requirements. Diligently monitor your email account at your transfer institution to ensure you receive all correspondence.**

Make Sure Your Gadsden State Credits Transfer

If enough courses transfer, you'll start at the four-year college as a junior. Typically a student needs 60 credit hours to transfer as a junior. Planning is key to ensure that all of your courses transfer, which saves you time and money. Factors that influence whether credits will transfer include:

- 1. College and/or state transfer policies:** Colleges determine which credits they will accept. Some schools are influenced by statewide articulation programs.
- 2. Similarity of the course:** Institutions tend to accept credits from programs and courses that are similar to those they offer.
- 3. Appropriateness of the course to the specific major:** Institutions tend to prefer courses that match their specific requirements for your anticipated major; however, if you have taken a general course that does not match, it may transfer as a general elective.
- 3. Grade received in the course:** Applicants must meet minimum grade requirements for their credits to be considered for transfer.
- 4. Time limits:** Policies differ from school-to-school but many schools have time limits on transfer credits. If the credits you hope to transfer were earned more than a year ago, be sure to review the credit transfer policies at the four-year school.