Transfer

Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT)
The Associate Degree for Transfer allows West Valley College to grant an associate degree once a student has met specific transfer general education and major requirements. Upon completion, the student is eligible to transfer to the California State University system. In addition, students are given guaranteed admission into the CSU system and priority consideration when applying to a similar major. See Associate Degree for Transfer 16.

Transfer Credit
Many students who plan to earn a university degree find it to their advantage to complete their lower division course work at a California community college. Each college offers a full program of courses approved for transfer. A student may earn 105 quarter or 70 semester units toward a university degree at an accredited two-year college. If a student earns more units than that, the university may give subject credit for the additional courses taken. Some campuses have further restrictions regarding the acceptance of transfer credit.

Information regarding transfer programs is available in the Transfer Center, which is located in the Counseling Center, and from the catalog of the intended transfer institution. Consult a counselor for prerequisites and recommended subjects.

Ensuring Transfer Success
West Valley College is committed to creating partnerships with students to ensure a smooth transfer experience. Students are strongly encouraged to visit the Transfer and Counseling Center their first year so they can become familiar with resources available. It is important to plan carefully by selecting classes that satisfy both the lower division general education and major requirements. We recommend that students work with a counselor regularly to get step-by-step updated transfer information and guidance. Website: westvalley.edu/transfer

General Education Certification for Transfer Students
Careful educational planning will enable students to complete their general education requirements for transfer. “Certification” or “Partial Certification” may be requested on a Transcript Request Form available in the Admissions and Records Office.

Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG)
West Valley College participates in “Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG),” which guarantee qualifying students admission to many of the campuses of the University of California. To be eligible, students must have completed a minimum number of transferable units and have a grade point average that meets the acceptable admission requirements at the university of their choice. For more information and/or to apply for a Transfer Admission Guarantee, the student should contact a counselor or the Transfer Center.

Transfer Alliance Program (TAP)
The Transfer Alliance Program is collaboration between the West Valley College Honors Program and UCLA College (Letters and Science) in conjunction with the offices of Undergraduate Admissions and Relations with Schools. Students who complete the Honors/Scholars Program at West Valley College receive priority consideration for admission to UCLA College (Letters and Science). Admitted TAP students are eligible to apply for scholarships reserved for the Transfer Alliance Program. Students are advised to contact the Honors Program Coordinator to discuss eligibility and participation.

WVC Online Learning
Online learning utilizes the power of technology and trained instructors and counselors to provide students with access to higher education without having to be physically present at a specific place and time. West Valley College online courses are delivered using Canvas, a course management system that includes chats, discussion forums, email, and video conferencing to ensure regular and effective contact.

Online learning courses reduce a student’s travel time and costs, meet the needs of various learning styles, as well as the demands of a student’s personal and professional schedule.

Many online courses fulfill general education and transfer requirements for public and private colleges and universities.

The West Valley College Online Learning Program integrates technology-mediated instruction and support services to deliver rigorous education online and to enrich hybrid and face-to-face courses.

WVC Title III
The purpose of the West Valley College Title III project is to create a virtual college within the college where distance learning students are supported by student services in a comparable manner to on campus students. Programs, departments, events, initiatives and services are communicated via text, video and animation. 508 compliant fillable forms support interaction with student support services. Online orientation, counseling, education plans and tutoring are a sampling of the Title III co-sponsored initiatives as students to begin and complete their education online. Focus over the five-year grant expands to instructional departments and courses. Additional emphasis includes data gathering and dissemination for meeting student success needs. In person students, staff and faculty are supported with informational resources relevant to student guided educational pathways. Faculty and staff participate in professional development activities designed to engage and motivate learners and meet the strategic goals of West Valley College.