

EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

**2027-2028
TRANSFER GUIDE**

An aerial photograph of the Eastern Illinois University campus. The most prominent feature is Old Main, a large, historic stone building with multiple towers and crenellated roofs, resembling a castle. The building is surrounded by green lawns, trees, and other campus structures. The sky is clear and blue.

EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

Here at Eastern Illinois University, you can become part of a tight-knit community that puts you first and foremost. We offer not only an exceptional education but also the academic, financial, and personal support you need to make your dreams a reality.

Imagine yourself on a day not too long from now, being cheered on as you walk proudly down the aisle in your cap and gown, filled with confidence and purpose, ready to change the world. That's the day everyone at EIU is working towards. That's the **you** we're here to help you create.

Welcome home, future Panther!

OLD MAIN

Often referred to as "The Castle", Old Main is Eastern's flagship building constructed in 1899. You'll recognize its outline in the University's logo and see it featured both on and off campus as an essential icon of EIU.



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STUDENT TO
FACULTY RATIO



MAJORS, MINORS & PRE-PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS

Employers love our students because they know EIU students are being well-prepared for success in the classroom. That's why more than 160 recruiters from all over come to our campus job fairs. Our Career Services team works hard to ensure you put your best foot forward when looking for jobs! Plus, you can connect with them even before you start classes at EIU if you need help choosing a major.

VISIT **EIU.EDU/MAJORS** TO CONNECT
YOUR INTERESTS TO OUR MAJORS.



91%

of EIU undergraduates
SECURE EMPLOYMENT
in professional positions
or make plans to attend
GRADUATE SCHOOL

ARTS	MAJOR/ OPTION	MINOR
Animation & Visual Effects		•
Art (BA & BFA)	•	
Art History	•	•
Creative Writing		•
Fashion Merchandising	•	•
Film Studies		•
Game & Interactive Media Development		•
Graphic Design (BA & BFA)	•	•
Jazz Studies		•
Music	•	•
Music Performance	•	
Music Technology		•
Studio Art (BA & BFA)	•	•
Theatre	•	•

BUSINESS & TECHNOLOGY	MAJOR/ OPTION	MINOR
Accounting	•	•
Advertising		•
Applied Artificial Intelligence		•
Applied Engineering (BAAS)	•	
Big Data		•
Business Administration	•	•
Business Analytics & Information Systems	•	•
Computer and Information Technology	•	
Computer Engineering	•	
Computer Science	•	•
Construction Management	•	•
Cybersecurity (BAAS)	•	•
Digital Media Technology	•	•
Electrical Engineering	•	
Engineering (co-op)	•	
Engineering Technology	•	•
Entrepreneurship		•
Finance	•	•
Financial Literacy		•
Hospitality & Tourism	•	
Human Resource Management		•
Industrial Design & Product Development		•
Industrial Distribution & Logistics Management	•	•
Management Information Systems		•
Manufacturing Systems & Automation		•
Marketing	•	•
Meeting & Event Management		•
Operations & Supply Chain Management		•
Organizational Development	•	
Organizational Leadership		•
Pre-Engineering	•	
Public Relations	•	•
Radio & Audio Production		•
Social Media Engagement		•
Software Development Foundations		•
Talent Development		•
Television & Video Production	•	
Video Production		•
Web Development		•

EDUCATION	MAJOR/ OPTION	MINOR
Art - Teaching	•	
Career & Technical Education	•	
Computer Science: Teaching		•
Early Childhood Education	•	
Early Childhood Program Administration		•
Elementary Education (Grades 1-6)	•	
English Language Arts: Teaching	•	•
History: Teaching	•	•
Kinesiology, Sport, & Recreation: Physical Education Teaching	•	•
Mathematics: Teaching (Grades 9-12)	•	•
Middle Level Education (Grades 5-8)	•	
Music: Teaching	•	
Public Health: Teaching		•
Science: Teaching (Biological Sciences, Chemistry, Earth Science, & Physics)	•	
Special Education	•	
Teaching English as a Second or Foreign Language		•
World Languages & Cultures: Teaching (French, German, & Spanish)	•	•

HUMANITIES	MAJOR/ OPTION	MINOR
Africana Studies		•
Asian Studies		•
Broadcast Journalism	•	
Communication & Cultural Diversity		•
Communication in Organizations	•	
Communication Studies	•	•
Corporate Communication	•	
English	•	•
Ethics		•
History	•	•
Integrative Studies (Philosophy)	•	
Interdisciplinary Studies	•	
Interpersonal Communication	•	
International Studies (Economics, History, & Political Science)	•	
Journalism	•	•
Latin American & Latinx Studies		•
Literary & Cultural Studies		•
Mass Communication	•	
Philosophy	•	•
Photojournalism		•
Pre-Law		•
Premodern Global Studies		•
Professional Writing		•
Public Affairs Reporting	•	
Public History		•
Religious Studies		•
Sports Media Relations	•	•
Strategic Social Media Communication		•
Women's, Gender & Sexuality Studies		•
World Languages & Cultures (French, German, & Spanish)	•	•

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	MAJOR/ OPTION	MINOR
Aging Studies		•
Communication Disorders & Sciences	•	•
Community Health	•	
Emergency Management (BAAS & BS)	•	
Exercise Science	•	•
Health Administration	•	
Health Communication		•
Health & Medical Humanities		•
Health Practice (BAAS)	•	
Health Sciences	•	
Human Services	•	•
Military Science		•
Nursing (RN to BSN Completion)	•	
Nutrition	•	•
Pre-Athletic Training	•	
Pre-Chiropractic		•
Pre-Dentistry		•
Pre-Medicine		•
Pre-Occupational Therapy	•	
Pre-Optometry		•
Pre-Pharmacy		•
Pre-Physical Therapy	•	
Pre-Physician Assistant		•
Pre-Podiatry		•
Pre-Veterinary Medicine		•
Public Health		•
Sport & Recreation Management	•	
Workplace Wellness		•

NATURAL SCIENCES	MAJOR/ OPTION	MINOR
Astronomy	•	
Biochemistry	•	•
Biological Sciences	•	•
Broadcast Meteorology		•
Chemistry (BA & BS)	•	•
Clinical Laboratory Science (co-op)	•	
Computational Physics	•	
Earth Science		•
Engineering Physics	•	
Environmental Biology	•	
Environmental Impact & Sustainability		•
Geosciences: Geography/Geology	•	•
Mathematics	•	•
Neuroscience	•	•
Physics	•	•

SOCIAL SCIENCES	MAJOR/ OPTION	MINOR
Anthropology		•
Civic & Nonprofit Leadership	•	•
Criminology & Criminal Justice	•	•
Economics	•	•
Environmental/Physical Geography	•	
Geographic Information Sciences		•
Human Geography	•	
Political Campaigning		•
Political Science	•	•
Psychology	•	•
Sociology	•	•



Honors Programs available in most departments.

AFFORDABLE EDUCATION

EIU IS CONSISTENTLY RANKED AMONG THE BEST VALUE COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES IN THE NATION.



SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Over \$56 million in scholarships and awards were given to support EIU's undergraduate students during the 2025-2026 school year (more than \$12,000 per student on average).

OUR STUDENTS SAVE AN AVERAGE OF

 **\$1200**

USING TEXTBOOK RENTAL!



COST TO ATTEND EASTERN



To get a personalized net-cost estimate, visit

eiu.edu/cost.

See just how affordable Eastern could be for you!



BASED ON 2026-2027 ACADEMIC YEAR	UNDERGRADUATE
TUITION	\$10,690
STUDENT FEES	\$3,961.50
TEXTBOOK RENTAL	\$262.50
FOOD & HOUSING	\$13,670*
TOTAL	\$28,584

*Based on 30 hours of enrollment and the all-access meal plan for incoming students.

NOTE: Tuition is based on \$356.34 per credit hour.

TRANSFER AUTOMATIC MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS

Must have at least 15 credit hours transferred from an accredited college or university.

TIER ONE

GPA: 3.5 - 4.0 - \$5,000*

(\$2,500 awarded annually)

TIER TWO

GPA: 3.0 - 3.49 - \$3,000*

(\$1,500 awarded annually)

*Renewable up to 4 consecutive semesters if renewal criteria is met.

SUCCESS & ENGAGEMENT AWARD

Students who do not meet the above GPA requirements, but showcase leadership and involvement - **\$2,000**

(\$1,000 awarded annually)



PHI THETA KAPPA

GPA: MINIMUM 3.5 - \$1,000

(\$1,000 one-time award)

- Fall admissions only
- Associate degree required
- Application deadline is March 15

EIU RESIDENTIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Students with a 4.0 GPA will receive a one-time \$2000 scholarship for Housing



PANTHER PROMISE TUITION WAIVER

Students from households with an annual income ranging from:

\$60,000 TO \$120,000 WILL RECEIVE UP TO \$2,500 towards tuition for up to eight semesters.

EIU PROMISE PROGRAM

EIU will reduce the cost of your remaining tuition and required fees to \$0 if you meet the following criteria:

- **YOUR FAMILY'S ANNUAL INCOME IS \$80,000 OR LESS**
- You have a minimum of a 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale
- You are an Illinois resident
- You have your financial aid packaged and complete by June 1
- You meet all other AIM HIGH Grant requirements

DON'T FORGET YOUR FAFSA!

Students should complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) as soon as possible after it opens.

If you're an Illinois resident who isn't otherwise eligible for federal financial aid, you can submit the Alternative Application for Illinois Financial Aid.

OUR SCHOOL CODE 001674

www.studentaid.gov



GUARANTEED TUITION RATE

The Guaranteed Tuition Rate Program ensures your first-year tuition rate at EIU will remain the same for four continuous academic years. Even if tuition costs rise during your time at EIU, yours will not.

TRANSFER TIPS & RESOURCES

OUR
UNDERGRADUATE
STUDENT BODY
REPRESENTS OVER

42 & **41**

STATES

COUNTRIES

PANTHER PLEDGE

eiu.edu/pantherpledge

The Panther Pledge offers community college students guaranteed admission to Eastern Illinois University to complete their bachelor's degree.

- Guaranteed Admission
- Easy Transfer Planning
- Early Connection to EIU

TRANSFER CREDIT

- Eastern accepts all college-level transfer credit with the exception of remedial, developmental, or orientation courses
- Elective credit will be awarded and applied to total hours toward graduation if there is no equivalency to a course at Eastern.
- Out-of-state credit will be accepted and compared to course offerings at EIU. Providing syllabi and course descriptions will assist in the course evaluation.
- EIU is a participant in the Transferology system (transferology.com/state/il?all), a free online resource where you can find out how your courses transfer.
- EIU is a full participant in the Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI): itransfer.org.
- EIU accepts credit for Nationally Standardized Tests (eiu.edu/registra/apclepcredit.php)
- Students with a baccalaureate-oriented associate degree will be considered a junior with all lower level general education requirements met.
- Students may transfer EIU credits back to their community college to complete an associate degree.

TRANSFER ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS:

24+ SEMESTER HOURS

2.0/4.0 overall; AND 2.0/4.0 from last college attended,

OR

FEWER THAN 24 SEMESTER HOURS

2.0/4.0 overall; AND 2.0/4.0 from last college attended,

AND

meet the following high school admission criteria:

TEST-OPTIONAL: 2.8/4.0 GPA

OR

TEST-REPORTED: 2.5/4.0 GPA AND 960 SAT OR 18 ACT

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

To achieve a baccalaureate degree, students must complete the following requirements:

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

Students must complete a Senior Seminar, Study Abroad, or Capstone Course and one of the following general education programs:

- Transferable baccalaureate-oriented Associate Degree
- Illinois Articulation Initiative General Education Core Curriculum
- Courses that fit into EIU general education

DEGREE PROGRAM

- Requirements for the major must be met.
- Majors may have specific GPA requirements. Consult catalog for details.

12 SEMESTER HOURS AT EIU IN MAJOR

40 SEMESTER HOURS OF UPPER-DIVISION COURSES

- Courses from a community college or other two-year institution will not count in this total.
- Upper-division courses at Eastern are those numbered 3000 or above.

30 SEMESTER HOURS FROM EIU

- 30 must be taken in the junior and senior years.
- 12 must be taken during the senior year.

120 SEMESTER HOURS CUMULATIVE

- All college-level credit, including electives, count toward these 120 hours.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE

- Successfully complete two semesters in a single foreign language. Students may be exempt from this requirement based on foreign language taken while in high school or at their previous colleges.
 - Two years in a single foreign language in high school with a "C" average
 - Second semester of a single foreign language in college with a passing grade

"C" OR BETTER IN ENGLISH AND SPEECH

- A transferable degree does not exempt a student from this requirement.
- A student receiving a "D" or "F" grade in English or speech will have to repeat the course.

WRITING COMPETENCY REQUIREMENT

Electronic Writing Portfolio

- Submit two papers written in EIU coursework to EWP.



TRANSFER ADMISSIONS

GET CONNECTED TO YOUR COUNSELOR AND START YOUR TRANSFER PLANNING PROCESS!

Our all in commitment doesn't just apply to our traditional first-year students. Transfer students thrive at EIU because we invest the same energy in their success, no matter where their college career began.

217-581-2120 | TRANSFER@EIU.EDU | EIU.EDU/TRANSFER



NEIGHBORHOOD WEEK

Neighborhood Week is a week-long event for residents in each building to compete against each other in fun-filled activities such as a relay boat race at the campus pond, Panther Baby scavenger hunt, window painting, and more! Hosted every Fall, the building that wins Neighborhood Week can claim best hall for the year.

97%

**OF STUDENTS SURVEYED
SAID LIVING ON CAMPUS
POSITIVELY CONTRIBUTED
TO THEIR ACADEMIC
PERFORMANCE**

HOUSING & DINING

MORE THAN JUST A BED

With 10 Residence Halls, 2 apartment complexes, themed floors, and Greek Court (fraternity/sorority housing), you'll be sure to find a place to fit your needs.

Panther Dining offers a variety of food options on campus, including 2 dining centers, a Food Court, a coffee shop, and more. With diverse menus, healthy eating options, and special diet accommodations, you'll never go hungry on campus.

VIEW OUR HOUSING OPTIONS
GO.EIU.EDU/HOUSINGOPTIONS



UNIVERSITY COURT

University Court offers the benefits of on-campus housing with the comfort of apartment living. Enjoy the comfort and independence of your own apartment, with classes just a short walk away.

Available to students who have been out of High School for 2 years, or who are over 21 years of age.

A photograph of a modern apartment complex with a sign in the foreground that reads 'University Court'. The image is overlaid with a blue gradient. The sign also features the EIU logo and the text 'University of Illinois at Springfield'.

University Court



A FUTURE FULL OF CELEBRATION

Every day, more than 116,000 EIU Alumni make an impact in the world, in big and small ways.

NASA FLIGHT SURGEON RICK SCHEURING serves as an integration lead for medical operations in NASA's Constellation program that will return humans to the moon and eventually take them to Mars.

SCREENWRITER AND PRODUCER CRAIG TITLEY has brought the world "Percy Jackson & the Olympians: The Lightning Thief", "Marvel's Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D.", and "Star Wars: The Clone Wars".

STEPHANIE CARLS IS BLAZING NEW TRAILS AS AN EXPERT IN SOCIAL NETWORKING, from her day job as an online marketing consultant to the first interactive social media show on YouTube, featured in The New York Times, Huffington Post, and NBC News.

RONALD W. DAVIS, A STANFORD UNIVERSITY PROFESSOR KNOWN AS A PIONEER IN MOLECULAR GENETICS AND GENOMICS, struggled with a form of dyslexia. Davis ignored advice to give up his passion for science, and instead he went on to complete requirements for four majors (chemistry, physics, math and botany) in four years at EIU.

TEACHER AND WRITER DWAYNE REED is a leader in education who was catapulted into national attention by his blockbuster video, "Welcome to the Fourth Grade". Mr. Reed and his work have been featured on Good Morning America, World News Tonight, BBC News, The Jimmy Kimmel Live Show, and in The Washington Post and Time Magazine.

Want to join the club? Apply now!

**EIU PREPARES
Ph.D.s**

Eastern is a leader in preparing undergraduates to earn doctoral degrees. We're ranked the highest in Illinois among similar institutions and in the top 6% nationwide.



99%

ALUMNI SATISFACTION RATE

SEE YOU SOON! | eiu.edu/visit

CAMPUS TOURS

EIU offers campus tours
Monday-Friday at 10 AM &
2 PM, and select Saturdays.

OPEN HOUSES

Saturday, Sept. 12, 2026
Monday, Oct. 12, 2026
Friday, Nov. 13, 2026
Monday, Mar. 29, 2027

ON-CAMPUS ADMIT DAYS

Friday, Dec. 11, 2026
Monday, Feb. 15, 2027
Saturday, Mar. 6, 2027



CHECK ONLINE FOR TRANSFER SPECIFIC TOURS!



TAKE A VIRTUAL TOUR TODAY!
go.eiu.edu/campustour



GET A PERSONALIZED ADMISSIONS CHECKLIST
AND CONNECT WITH YOUR COUNSELOR AT

my.eiu.edu

CONTACTS & RESOURCES

go.eiu.edu/contact

ACCESSIBILITY & ACCOMMODATIONS

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NOTES & QUESTIONS



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