Transfer credit in the Department of BioSciences

The Department of BioSciences can accept transfer credit for BIOC and EBIO courses only. Please contact one of our three transfer credit advisors, as explained in the next paragraph. For any other course, please contact the transfer credit advisor for the department that offers that course.

We strongly recommend obtaining approval before taking a course that you wish to transfer. To transfer credit for a specific course or to obtain credit for BIOC 390 or EBIO 391, department majors should contact Dr. David Caprette, caprette@rice.edu (BIOC) or Dr. Scott Solomon, scott.solomon@rice.edu (EBIO), who will then contact the relevant professor to determine if a course should transfer. Be prepared to provide the course code, title, brief description, institution and its location, and a complete syllabus or equivalent source that describes the content, textbook, nature of assignments and/or exams, and indicates the level taught (lower or upper division). Non-majors and majors seeking to study abroad should contact Dr. George Bennett, gbennett@rice.edu (BIOC) or Dr. Solomon, scott.solomon@rice.edu (EBIO) about transfer credit.

Upon obtaining approval, please bring a transfer of credit form with your part completed to the instructor or transfer credit advisor for a signature and then take the completed form to the Registrar’s Office.

General guidelines for transfer credit:

- A course taken at a four year accredited institution of higher education will generally transfer as its BIOC or EBIO equivalent if the instructor concludes that the content, emphasis (e.g., basic science vs. clinical), assessments, and level taught are consistent with the proposed equivalent.
- An acceptable upper division course with no Rice equivalent will transfer as BIOC 390 or EBIO 391 (lecture course) or BIOC/EBIO 393 (laboratory course).
- An acceptable lower division course with no Rice equivalent may transfer as general BIOC or EBIO credit (BIOC or EBIO 1xx or 2xx).
- Online and community college courses will be considered on a case by case basis. Generally, such courses, if approved, will transfer as lower division general credit.

Transfer Credit Advisors

Biochemistry & Cell Biology and Neuroscience
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Biochemistry & Cell Biology (Study Abroad Only)
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