

Transfer APPLICATION CHECKLIST



Dates & Deadlines

Spring 2025

Application Opens: September 1, 2024

Application Deadline: October 15, 2024

Admission Notification: November to early December 2024

Fall 2025

Application Opens: January 15, 2025

Priority Deadline: March 1, 2025

Final Deadline: April 5, 2025

Admission Notification: March to May 2025

☐ Select a major.

You can view our full list of majors at go.illinois.edu/majors.

To learn which majors are open to transfer students by term, visit go.illinois.edu/openmajors.

☐ Review our requirements.

Ensure you meet the requirements for your selected major by visiting our Transfer Handbook at go.illinois.edu/transfer-handbook. If you've been attending a college in Illinois, our Transfer Guide is also helpful. You can find it at go.illinois.edu/transferguide.

☐ Consider a second-choice major.

Choosing a second-choice major will allow us to review your application for other avenues of admission if you aren't admissible to your first choice. Make sure you meet this major's transfer requirements as well. Note that not all majors are available as a second choice; you can view a list of unavailable majors at go.illinois.edu/second-choice-faq.

☐ Write your essay.

Our prompt can be found at go.illinois.edu/transfer-essay. Once you've written a rough draft, ask an instructor, counselor, or relative to proofread it. If you select a second-choice major, you'll be asked to write a second essay.

☐ Submit your application.

You'll apply at go.illinois.edu/transfer-apply. Our application opens in September for spring applicants and January for fall applicants. Submitting the fall application and all

supporting materials by our priority deadline may give you an advantage for admission to your program of choice.

An application fee or fee waiver is needed to complete your application file. The fee can be paid by credit or debit card at the time you submit your application or at a later date. You'll need to work with a school official to have a fee waiver submitted.

☐ Send us your transcripts.

We need official transcripts from all colleges or universities you've attended. We also need a final, official transcript from your high school or your high school equivalency exam results to confirm you've graduated.

☐ Demonstrate your English proficiency.

To satisfy our minimum English proficiency requirement, you must meet one of the conditions described at go.illinois.edu/proficiency. In many cases, the standards needed to gain admission will be much higher, so it's worth submitting all test scores showing a high level of English competency. These scores must be dated within two years of your enrollment at Illinois.

☐ Check your application status.

To check your status, log in to myIllini at myillini.illinois.edu and click on your submitted application. By checking your status regularly, you can make sure we've received all of your supporting materials.