Credit Types Overview Transcript

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Greetings. In this video, we're going to provide an overview of the three different types of credit that students may see on their Academic Plan at APUS. There's a lot of useful information on an academic plan, including a student's GPA, their program requirements, and overall degree progress. Knowing the different types of credit can help students better understand their fulfilled degree requirements.

Throughout a student's academic journey, they will see one or more of the following types of credit on their Academic Plan: Transfer credit, residential credit, and or current course credit.

Let's start with current course credit, as this is the credit type that students are most likely to see. After a course has been successfully completed at APUS, it will appear on the Academic Plan in red font along with the grade received (to the right of the course name) and credits earned (in the same row, to the far right).

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While it's not labeled as such, this is referred to as current course credit, and it's the only type of credit that will have a grade displayed next to it. This is also the only credit type that will impact a student's GPA.

After each APUS course is completed, the final grade will be posted by the professor, and the overall GPA (located at the top left of the Degree Plan) will be updated accordingly. If a student moves into a new program, all previously completed APUS coursework will be reapplied as residential credit. This type of credit will not have grades displayed, and it also does not impact a student's GPA in the new program. Each course that was completed in a previous program will be posted to the new Academic Plan in the sections to which they apply.

In this example, you can see residential credit has been reapplied for several previously completed APUS General Education courses.

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These courses appear in red to indicate they have been fulfilled, and the credit hours have been added to the new degree program.

If a student has military training, experience, or college-level coursework from other institutions, these credits will be applied to the Academic Plan as transfer credit.

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This will be applied during an official transfer credit evaluation. Similar to residential credit, transfer credit will not have grades displayed, and it does not impact the student's GPA, only the credits earned are transferred from outside sources.

In order to initiate an official transfer credit evaluation, students will need to submit the transfer credit application via their eCampus.

[Navigation:

eCampus > Academic Plan & Forms > Transfer Credit Application]

You can follow the steps for submitting official transcripts as you complete the form.

Additional information regarding the transfer credit evaluation process can be found on the Transfer Credit Center, which is also accessible via the eCampus.

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If you have any questions regarding this process, please feel free to contact this Transfer Credit Team at creditaward@apus.edu. Thank you for watching. We hope you found this information helpful.