

# Transfer of Credit

Each medical school's curriculum is unique and based upon that school's longitudinal timetable. The medical school curriculum at RVUCOM is a four-year, longitudinal course of study in which the course work builds upon previously learned precepts. Therefore, requests for transfer are discouraged and will rarely be considered unless there are highly compelling circumstances.

Circumstances may warrant that a student enrolled in a college of medicine seeks to transfer to another institution. Credits may be transferred from medical schools and colleges accredited by the American Osteopathic Association (AOA) Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation (COCA). RVUCOM will not consider transfer requests from students enrolled at a foreign medical school or LCME accredited program.

- Transfers from one college of osteopathic medicine to another shall require that, at a minimum, the last two years of instruction be completed within RVUCOM.
- Transfer shall be accepted and transfer credits shall be given only if the student is in good standing and eligible for readmission to the previously attended college of osteopathic medicine.
- Credit is only given for completed courses with grades of 70 percent (C) or greater.

RVUCOM transcripts will reflect the cumulative credit hours transferred in from the previous medical school. Information regarding grades or class rank from the previous school will not be reflected on the RVU transcript. Students who transfer into RVUCOM will not receive a class rank.

Anyone wishing to transfer to RVUCOM must:

- Provide a written statement outlining reasons for request for transfer. All information is to be sent to the Vice President of Enrollment Management and External Relations. Decisions regarding transfer are made by the Dean and will be based on factors including academic record, circumstances leading to the transfer request, available space, and admission standards;
- Provide a letter from the Dean of the transferring institution verifying that the student is in good standing and be eligible to continue;
- Submit a copy of their AACOMAS application;
- Meet all admission requirements to RVUCOM, which include submitting official transcripts of all college work where a degree was earned; transcripts from the medical school attended, including the final transcript showing the successful completion of the first two years; MCAT scores; national board scores; and letters of evaluation;
- Submit COMLEX Level 1 and USMLE Step 1 scores;
- Pass a background check and drug screen; and
- Submit required medical forms.