

Resolution to Modify Language about the Ohio Transfer Module in Undergraduate Catalog
Educational Policy and Student Affairs (EPSA) Committee
UCC General Education Committee
Faculty Senate
First Reading – XXXX

Whereas Ohio University participates in the Ohio Transfer Module (OTM) established by Ohio Department of Higher Education’s (ODHE) Articulation and Transfer Policy;

Whereas Ohio University’s Faculty Senate approved the Resolution to Reimagine General Education – referred to as BRICKS – on February 3, 2020;

Whereas select BRICKS components match select general education requirements with Ohio Transfer Module (OTM) areas of distribution;

Whereas Ohio University has historically transferred Ohio Transfer Module (OTM) approved courses based on course-by-course equivalency basis between the sending institution (Institution S) and Ohio University; and

Whereas BRICKS allow for Ohio Transfer Module (OTM) approved courses to be transferred on category-by-requirement equivalency basis.

Be it resolved that the language in the Undergraduate Catalog, Academic Policies and Procedures, Transfer Credit, Transferring Credit from Other Colleges and Universities, Ohio Transfer Module (starting in the 2021-22 Catalog) be amended to:

Ohio Transfer Module. The Ohio Department of Higher Education’s Articulation and Transfer Policy established the Ohio Transfer Module, which may be a subset or the entire set of a public higher education institution’s general education curriculum in Associate of Arts (AA), Associate of Science (AS) and baccalaureate degree programs. Students in applied associate’s degree programs may complete some individual Ohio Transfer Module courses within their degree program or continue beyond the degree program to complete the entire Transfer Module.

The Ohio Transfer Module contains 36-40 semester ~~or 54-60 quarter~~ hours of course credit in English composition (minimum of 3 semester ~~or 5 quarter~~ hours); mathematics, statistics and logic (minimum of 3 semester ~~or 5 quarter~~ hours); arts and humanities (minimum of 6 semester ~~or 9 quarter~~ hours); social and behavioral sciences (minimum of 6 semester ~~or 9 quarter~~ hours); and natural sciences (minimum of 6 semester ~~or 9 quarter~~ hours). Oral communication and interdisciplinary areas may be included as additional options. Additional elective hours from among these areas make up the total hours for a completed Ohio Transfer Module.

Courses for the Ohio Transfer Module should be ~~100-and 200-level~~ 1000-level or 2000-level general education courses commonly completed in the first two years of a student’s course of study. Each public university and technical and community college is required to establish and maintain an approved Ohio Transfer Module.

Ohio Transfer Module course(s) or the full module completed at one college or university will automatically meet the requirements of individual Ohio Transfer Module course(s) or the full Ohio Transfer Module at another college or university once the student is admitted. Students may be required,

however, to meet additional general education requirements at the institution to which they transfer. For example, a student who completes the Ohio Transfer Module at Institution S (sending institution) and then transfers to Institution R (receiving institution) is said to have completed the Ohio Transfer Module portion of Institution R’s general education program. Institution R, however, may have general education courses that go beyond its Ohio Transfer Module. The Ohio Transfer and Articulation policy additionally codifies that non-equivalent courses which were used to satisfy the general education requirements at the receiving institution may be applied toward the general education requirements at the discretion of the receiving institution.

Students who complete the minimum requirements of the Ohio Transfer Module at another college or university *prior* to enrollment in a degree-seeking program at Ohio University will receive transfer credit equivalent to fulfilling Ohio University’s BRICKS general education requirements in Foundations (excluding the Advanced Writing component, which requires completion of TME 002 Second Writing), Pillars, and Arches.

Students may be required, however, to meet additional general education requirements specified by colleges, degrees, or programs. For example, a student who transfers a TME 002 Second Writing course is said to have completed Advanced Writing for Ohio University’s general education program. However, colleges, degrees, or programs may require students to complete an additional Advanced Writing course specified by college, degree, or program requirements.

State policy initially required that all courses in the Ohio Transfer Module be completed to receive its benefit in transfer. However, subsequent policy revisions have extended this benefit to the completion of individual Ohio Transfer Module courses on a course-by-course basis.

When the sending institution has not posted completion of the OTM on the student’s transcript, OTM courses will apply toward general education requirement on a course-by-course basis. Individual OTM courses completed at state-supported institutions located in Ohio that meet state guaranteed equivalences for the Ohio Transfer Module (OTM) areas of distribution yet have no course equivalency at Ohio University shall transfer as meeting select requirements for Ohio University’s general education (BRICKS) requirements as follows:

OTM Category	BRICKS Category	BRICKS Component
TME 001 First Writing	Foundations	Written Communication
TME 002 Second Writing	Foundations	Advanced Writing
TMOOC Oral Communication	Bridges	Speaking & Listening
TMMSL Mathematics, Statistics, and Logic	Foundations	Quantitative Reasoning
TMAH Arts and Humanities	Pillars	Humanities: Arts (OR) Humanities: Texts and Contexts
TMSBS Social and Behavioral Sciences	Pillars	Social or Behavioral Sciences
TMNS Natural Sciences	Pillars	Natural Sciences

Ohio University agrees to work with students on an individual basis to ensure general education requirements are satisfied. Students who have been advised and are on track to complete one of OHIO’s articulated pathways can discuss the application of their transfer credit and possible course exceptions by contacting their academic college’s Student Services Center.