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Transferring to Marshall University

Your Step-by-Step Checklist

MARSHALL UNIVERSITY

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INTRODUCTION

Why Transfer to Marshall University?

Thinking about transferring to Marshall? We're excited to help you get there, and we're committed to making the transfer process as smooth, supportive and affordable as possible for potential studentst.

This checklist is designed to do exactly that. Use it to walk through every stage of the transfer journey, from researching transfer credit policies to enrolling for your first semester.

Before we get started, here's a quick look at what you'll find when you join the Herd:

100+ undergraduate programs: Marshall offers a variety of programs across a wide range of fields, including flexible options designed specifically for transfer students, such as the Bachelor of Applied Science (BAS) and Regents Bachelor of Arts (RBA).

Student support: Dedicated transfer advising, orientation programming and campus resources help you hit the ground running from day one.

Campus life: Nine residence halls, dining options, student organizations, athletics and Themed Communities offer you plenty of ways to get connected and find your community.

Affordability: Marshall offers competitive in-state tuition and financial aid opportunities, including scholarships specifically available to transfer students.

Come See What Marshall Is All About

Schedule a Campus Visit ↗

Choose from daily walking tours, golf cart tours, college experience tours and group tours designed to help you explore campus and get a feel for life at Marshall.

Register for Green and White Day ↗

Join our premier open house event for prospective students and families. Explore campus, meet faculty and current students, learn about academics and student services and experience life as a member of the Herd.

SECTION 1

Plan Your Transfer

Before you apply, take time to research your options and make sure Marshall is the right fit for your goals.

- ☐ Confirm your intended program is offered at Marshall.
- ☐ Review transfer requirements for your specific major. Some programs may have additional admission requirements beyond the general transfer application, so it's important to check your intended program's page or speak with an advisor to confirm.
- ☐ Check whether you qualify for the PTK Direct Admissions program. Eligible Phi Theta Kappa members can receive a confirmed admission offer with no traditional application, essays or waiting required.
- ☐ Connect with the Office of Undergraduate Admissions by emailing admissions@marshall.edu or calling 304-696-3160.
- ☐ Research transfer scholarships and financial aid opportunities available to community college students. Visit Marshall's scholarships and financial aid page to explore your options.

SECTION 2

Understand Your Transfer Credits

Marshall accepts up to 72 credit hours from one or more community colleges. Not every course will transfer as a direct equivalent, but planning ahead can help you make the most of your completed coursework.

- Check whether your community college has a Course Equivalency Agreement with Marshall. Agreements are in place with several West Virginia and Kentucky community colleges, including Blue Ridge, Eastern WV, Kanawha Valley, Mountwest, Southern WV and WV Northern in West Virginia, and Ashland, Bluegrass, Gateway and others in Kentucky.
- Use Marshall's Transfer Course Equivalency System to see how your courses may apply. Note that this tool provides a general idea of how credits may transfer, but it's not an official evaluation. Final transfer credit decisions are made after your official transcripts are reviewed during the admissions process.
- Review any articulation agreements between your community and Marshall. Students who complete an approved associate degree may be admitted with junior standing.
- Check whether your community college participates in the West Virginia Core Coursework Transfer Agreement, which allows completed general education core courses to transfer as a block.
- Note any courses that may transfer as electives rather than direct equivalents, and factor this into your course planning before you transfer.
- Save copies of your course syllabi. If a course doesn't appear in the equivalency database, your syllabus may be used to determine how the credit applies toward your degree.
- Speak with a Marshall academic advisor to review how your credits apply toward your intended degree.

Questions About Transfer Credits? We Can Help!

If you have any transfer-specific questions, contact admissions@marshall.edu or fill out the form on this page to connect with an admissions counselor.

SECTION 3

Complete Your Application

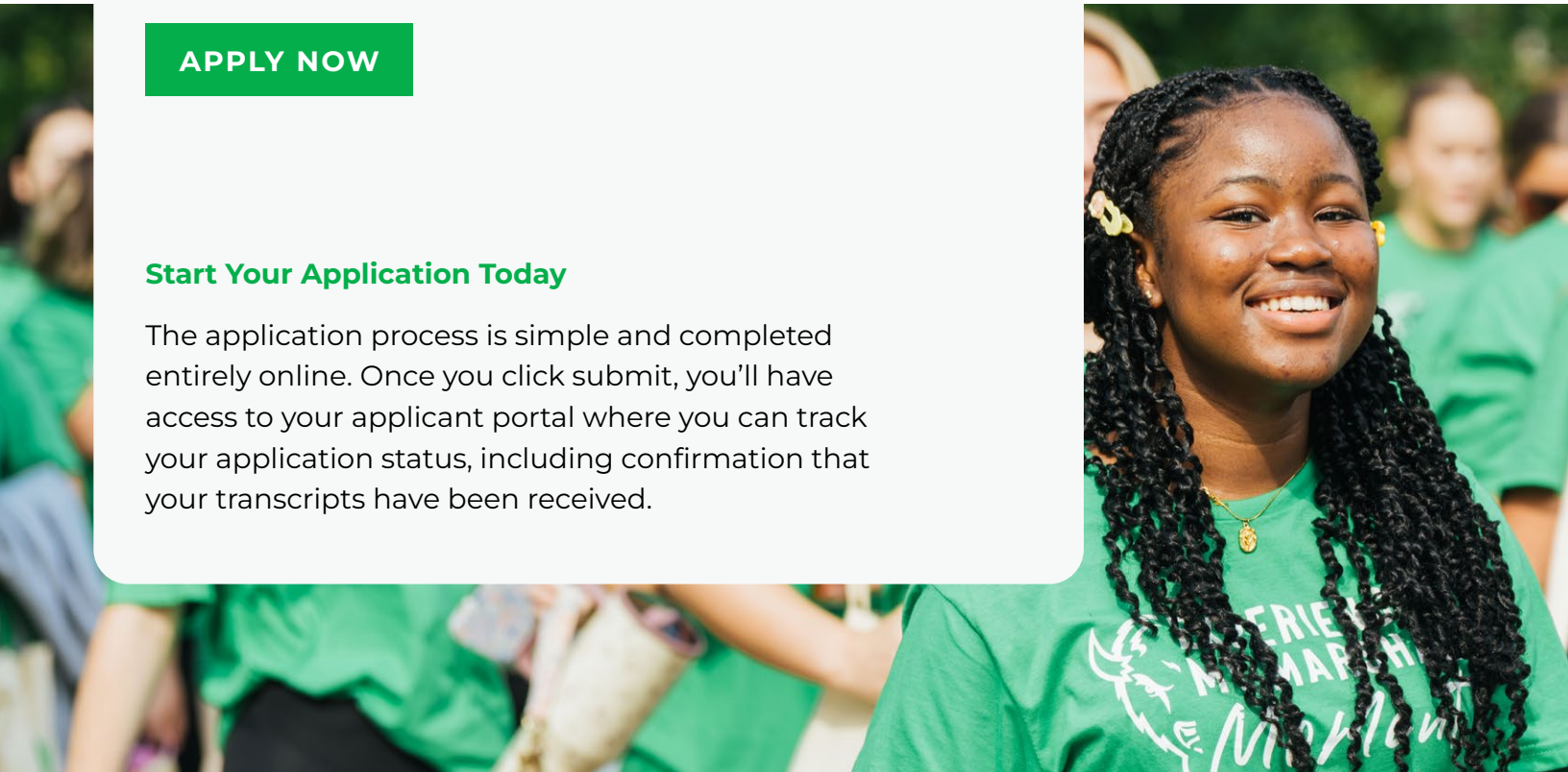
Applying to Marshall as a transfer student is straightforward. Here's what you'll need to do:

- Gather the information you'll need, including your academic history and financial information. Dependent students may also need a parent or guardian's financial information for financial aid purposes.
- Complete the undergraduate transfer application. The application is entirely online.
- Note: If you are a PTK member, check your PTK Connect profile for Marshall's Direct Admissions icon. You may be able to skip the traditional application entirely.

APPLY NOW

Start Your Application Today

The application process is simple and completed entirely online. Once you click submit, you'll have access to your applicant portal where you can track your application status, including confirmation that your transcripts have been received.





SECTION 4

Submit Your Transcripts

Official transcripts are a required part of your application. You'll need to request them directly from each institution you've attended.

- Request and send official transcripts from all community colleges and universities you've previously attended. Transcripts can be submitted electronically through Clearinghouse or Parchment or mailed to: Marshall University Office of Undergraduate Admissions - OM 102, One John Marshall Drive, Huntington, WV 25755.
- If you have fewer than 30 earned college semester hours, also request and send your final high school transcript. If you're unsure how many credits you've earned, check with the Office of Undergraduate Admissions for further assistance.
- Keep a record of your transcript request confirmation for each institution.

SECTION 5

Confirm All Materials Are Received

Once your application and transcripts are on their way, take a few minutes to verify that everything has arrived. Catching a missing document early can save you significant time down the road.

- ☐ Log into your applicant portal to verify your application status.
- ☐ Confirm that all transcripts have been received by Marshall's Office of Undergraduate Admissions. You can view items received and still needed in the application portal, along with checking communications sent by the Office of Undergraduate Admissions.
- ☐ Follow up with any institution that has not yet sent your transcripts.
- ☐ Submit any additional required materials for your specific program, if applicable, such as a portfolio or program-specific application.



SECTION 6

After You've Been Accepted: What's Next

Congratulations — welcome to the Herd!
Here's what to take care of before your first day of class.

- ☐ Review your acceptance letter and financial aid offer carefully, noting any deadlines, conditions or next steps.
- ☐ Accept your offer of admission by the stated deadline.
- ☐ Submit your enrollment deposit to secure your spot.
- ☐ Set up your MyMU account to access financial aid, billing, class registration and Blackboard.
- ☐ Complete or update your FAFSA and review your financial aid package through Marshall's Student Financial Assistance page.
- ☐ Register for transfer student orientation. This is where you'll meet with your academic advisor, register for classes and get your campus ID. If you're unable to attend a transfer-specific session, you can attend another available orientation session, though it won't include transfer-focused content.
- ☐ Register for classes. During orientation you'll meet with your academic advisor to review your degree plan and register for your first semester. If you're unable to attend, contact the Office of New Student Orientation for additional guidance.
- ☐ Sign up for on-campus housing if needed. Marshall offers nine residence halls and Themed Communities for students who want to connect with peers who share similar interests.
- ☐ Apply for a parking permit if you plan to bring a vehicle to campus.
- ☐ Review tuition and fee information and set up your payment plan through the Office of the Bursar.
- ☐ Visit the Marshall Bookstore online or in person for course materials and Marshall gear before classes begin.

SECTION 7

Tips for Staying on Track

Once you're registered and ready to go, keep these items in mind to set yourself up for success.

- ☐ Schedule and attend a follow-up academic advising appointment to review your transfer credit evaluation and confirm your degree plan is on track.
- ☐ Confirm that your transfer credits have been applied correctly to your degree plan.
- ☐ Identify any remaining general education, writing-intensive or multicultural coursework requirements, and factor these into your course planning for upcoming semesters.
- ☐ Connect with Student Support Services, clubs and organizations to get involved on campus.



CONCLUSION

Your Next Chapter Starts Here

We understand that making the move from a community college to a four-year university is a big decision, but you don't have to navigate it alone. The Marshall University Office of Undergraduate Admissions is here to answer your questions and help you find your path. When you're ready to make it official, start your application below.

START YOUR APPLICATION



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