

TRANSFER APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- Transfer application from the Common Application or Coalition Application powered by Scoir
- Harvard College Questions for the Common Application or Coalition Application Harvard supplement
- \$85 fee or a fee waiver
- Standardized testing: We will consider 2024-2026 transfer applications without standardized testing. If you have taken these tests, we strongly recommend that you submit your scores (self-reported scores are acceptable).
 - ACT or SAT (with or without writing)
 - AP, IB, or other examination results
- College, dean's, or registrar's report
- Official college transcript
- Two college instructor recommendations
- Official high school transcript

The deadline for all transfer application and financial aid materials is March 1.

Admissions decisions are released by June 1.

FINANCIAL AID

Bringing promising students to Harvard is our main objective, and we believe your financial circumstances should never stand in the way. Our revolutionary financial aid program ensures that every admitted student can afford to attend Harvard.

FAMILIES WITH ANNUAL INCOMES AND TYPICAL ASSETS:

\$85K* AND UNDER

Families with total incomes \$85K and under will pay nothing to attend Harvard.

\$85K-\$150K*

Families with total incomes between \$85K and \$150K pay 0–10% of their income.

\$150K* AND OVER

Families with incomes above \$150K will be asked to pay proportionately more than 10%, based on their circumstances.

Families at all income levels who have significant assets are asked to pay more than those without assets.

**All amounts are in USD.*

For more than 90% of students, attending Harvard costs the same as or less than attending a state school.

International students receive the same financial aid as domestic students.

In addition to Harvard's scholarship funds, we will help you find and navigate supplemental types of aid, such as student employment, loans, and outside awards. We are proud to help veterans continue their education by participating in the Yellow Ribbon Program. Additional educational benefits, including the Post 9–11 GI Bill and Military Tuition Assistance, may be available for veterans, their families, and active military personnel through the United States Department of Veterans Affairs. We suggest contacting the VA directly to confirm eligibility.

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“Harvard is a community of communities—we hope that you see yourself here.”

Rakesh Khurana

Danoff Dean of Harvard College





Each fall, we welcome a small number of transfer students to Harvard College. Because these students enter Harvard partway through their undergraduate careers, our admissions committee selects applicants whose previous academic experience will prepare them to flourish immediately in our challenging liberal arts program and active community. In particular, we seek:

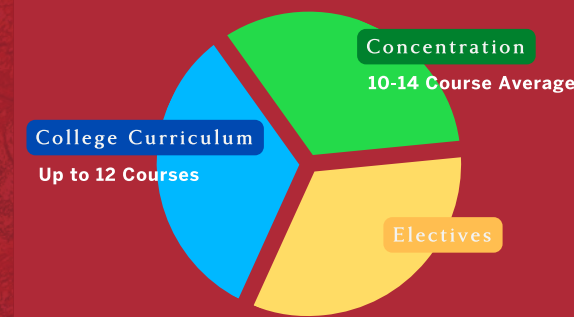
- a clearly defined academic need to transfer
- a proven record of achievement at one's current institution
- strong faculty recommendations

In recent years, we have received more than 1,500 transfer applications annually. The number of qualified applicants has far exceeded the dozen students whom we have been able to welcome to campus each year. As transfer admission to Harvard is competitive, we encourage you to explore a variety of colleges in your transfer search.

“Whether in class, the dining hall, or casual interactions with peers, I am constantly engaged in fascinating conversations and learning something new. This dynamic environment at Harvard has broadened my perspectives and fostered a sense of intellectual curiosity that extends beyond the classroom”

Isabella Cunningham '24
Transferred from Miami Dade College

CURRICULUM STRUCTURE 32 LIBERAL ARTS & SCIENCES COURSES



Students must also fulfill requirements in language, expository writing, and quantitative facility.

RANGE OF OPPORTUNITY

- 50 concentrations (majors)
- 49 secondary fields (minors)
- 80+ languages offered

3,700+

courses available (including cross-registration at Harvard graduate schools and MIT)

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To me, the veteran community at Harvard fosters diversity and excellence.

Quinn Ewanchyna '25
Served in the U.S. Army, then transferred from Bellevue College



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Through the house system, student organizations, and more, there are seemingly endless resources and opportunities to find community, even as a transfer student

Tolu Ademola '26
Transferred from Pennsylvania State University



WHAT WE LOOK FOR

Beyond strong grades, test scores, and recommendations, the admissions committee considers other factors such as significant extracurricular talents and life experiences — capacity for leadership, creativity, resilience, intellectual curiosity, and independent thinking.

ELIGIBILITY

- To be eligible to transfer, you must have completed at least one continuous academic year in a full-time degree program at one college and not more than two academic years by the time you would be enrolling at Harvard.
- Students are eligible to transfer only from a liberal arts curriculum. Candidates with a vocational, professional, technical, online, extension, or performance-based education do not ordinarily qualify for transfer admission.

MAKING THE TRANSITION

We are committed to supporting transfer students throughout their time at Harvard. We offer a fall transfer orientation program, a dedicated transfer dean, academic advisers, and transfer peer mentors. Transfer students are immediately eligible for on-campus housing with other upper-level students in our House system.

TRANSFERRING CREDITS

All transfer students enter Harvard College as either sophomores or juniors. Our Registrar's Office carefully reviews each admitted student's prior coursework to grant credit and determine class standing.