



JOHNSON C. SMITH UNIVERSITY

TRANSFER STUDENT GUIDE



Discover Your Golden
Opportunities!



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QUICK FACTS

JCSU RATINGS:

#1 Private HBCU in North Carolina
(U.S. News and World)

#1 Small College in North Carolina
for graduate job placement (Zippia)

TOP HBCU Psychology Program
(Psychologydegreeguide)

#17 Best Colleges for Sports
Management in America (Niche)

"Retool Your School" Award
Recipient



POPULATION:

JCSU is Diverse!

Named as one of the "Best Online Colleges" in North Carolina, JCSU offers a variety of online resources and Majors. Additionally, there are numerous activities and networking opportunities that provide students with an opportunity to graduate with confidence in order to expand personally and professionally.

1,306 Students

57% In-State and 43% Out-of-State

13:1 Student/Faculty Ratio

63% Female

37% Male

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ELIGIBILITY

UNDERGRADUATE TRANSFER PROCESS

Preliminary Transfer Credit Evaluation:

Newly admitted students with transfer courses from domestic institutions will receive a preliminary transfer credit evaluation usually two to three weeks after submission of official transcripts and complete admission packet.

Acceptability of Transfer Courses by JCSU:

The university generally will accept a maximum of 64 credit hours from a recognized and accredited junior, community, or technical college, or 90 credit hours from a recognized, accredited four-year institution. The university does not accept grade points, Pass/Fail, CLEP, Dante, or Credit for Military Training and Educational Experiences; however, a grade of P/Pass during COVID may be accepted.

Generally, college-level courses completed at accredited institutions will transfer, provided the course is similar in level, scope, and content to courses offered at JCSU and a grade of C- or higher is earned. Acceptance of courses for transfer credit is based on the following:

- direct equivalency to a Johnson C. Smith University course (whether within or outside of the major),
- direct equivalency to a general education requirement, or
- no direct equivalency but acceptable as a general elective.

It is important to note that the evaluation of transfer courses is an ongoing process that typically continues through the first semester at the University by advisors. However, this may extend past the first semester depending on when the final official transcript and, if necessary, course syllabi are reviewed by the program.

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NC Community College Articulation Agreement:

Students who have earned an A.A. (Associate in Arts) or A.S. (Associate in Science) from a North Carolina Community College may receive credit for completing JCSU's general education requirements (Foundation and Pillar courses) if they have earned a minimum of 60 credit hours in approved college-level courses with a grade of C or higher.

Exceptions:

1. Under no circumstances will grades below C- transfer to JCSU.
2. Should a student earn an A.A./A.S. with a grade lower than C in any of the following courses, they will be required to repeat the equivalent at JCSU: ENG 111, ENG 112, COM 231, or MAT 143, 152, or 171.
3. If a JCSU major requires a particular course that is part of the general education curriculum and the student has not completed that course, they will have to fulfill that requirement at JCSU. For example, Psychology and Dance majors both require BIO 143 (Intro to Biology); if a student took Geology to fulfill their science requirement, they will have to take BIO 143 at JCSU as part of their major course work.
4. In some cases, students may be required to take additional prerequisite courses that do not count towards their major but may count as free electives.
5. A minimum of 122 hours is required to earn a degree; some degree programs require additional hours.

International Transcripts:

- Academic transcripts submitted to the Office of Admissions or the Office of Registrar for evaluation should be certified original documents.
- Documents in language other than English must be accompanied by an official English translation.

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Transfer Course Notations:

- Transfer courses that have already been evaluated will be listed on the JCSU transcript and have the course type notation of “TR.”
- Transfer courses not accepted by JCSU are not listed on the JCSU transcript.

Acceptability vs. Applicability of Transfer Courses:

The Office of Admissions and the Office of the Registrar oversee course subject matter to determine the acceptability and the awarding of transfer credit. They consult with the Deans and academic departments, when necessary, for course clarifications and guidance.

A transfer course must be accepted by JCSU before it can be applicable toward degree requirements (general education, specific major requirements, and total credits needed to graduate).

Transfer Course Evaluation Request:

Students are responsible for submitting all final official transcripts detailing their entire academic record prior to enrolling at the University. Only official transcripts from the institution at which credits were received will post to a student’s JCSU record. Dual-enrollment credits earned by students while attending high school must be submitted from the college or university through which credit was earned; students will not receive credit for college courses notated on a high school transcript.

Dual Enrollment Transfers:

Dual-enrollment credits earned by students while attending high school must be submitted from the college or university through which credit was earned; students will not receive credit for college courses notated on a high school transcript.

Students are responsible for submitting all final official transcripts detailing their entire academic record prior to enrolling at the University. Only official transcripts from the institution at which credits were received will post to a student’s JCSU record.

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Credit by Examination (AB and IB):

The university accepts transfer credit through two examinations only: Advanced Placement Exam (AP) and International Baccalaureate (IB). Students satisfactorily completing Advanced Placement (AP) Examinations in disciplines offered by the university with a score of 3 or above will be accepted for college credit. Students satisfactorily complete an IB examination with a score of 4 or higher will be accepted for college credit. Please refer to the University Catalog for detailed information.

Current students may obtain credit by attending another college or university if the following conditions are met, as outlined in the University Catalog:

1. The proposed institution of study must offer courses equivalent to those at JCSU and be accredited by one of the following regional accrediting:

- Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC) Western Association of Schools and Colleges
- Higher Learning Commission (HLC)
- Middle States Commission on Higher Education (MSCHE)
- New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE)
- Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU)
- Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC)
- WASC Senior College and University Commission (WSCUC)
- Transnational Association of Christian Colleges and Schools

2. The student must secure approval of transfer credit in writing from instructors, advisors, Chairs of the Departments at JCSU, and the Office of the Registrar by obtaining the proper signature on a Transfer of Credit form before enrolling in the course. The form can be obtained from the Office of the Registrar, and, after being properly executed, should be returned there. Elective credits may be received for certain courses that do not correspond to any offered at JCSU provided approval is first received from the appropriate Department Chair.

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3. Approved courses in which the student receives a grade of C or better are transferable. Quality points and grades are not transferable; credit hours are transferable. Credit will not be accepted for courses where a grade below C was earned

4. The maximum number of credit hours an undergraduate student may take in any consortium or transient period is 15. If an undergraduate transfer student is approved to take course work at another university in a consortium and/or or as a transient, they are still required to complete a minimum of 25% of their credit hours at Johnson C. Smith University and may not take more than the maximum amount of hours required for transfer students.

International Transcripts:

- Academic transcripts submitted to the Office of Admissions or the Office of Registrar for evaluation should be certified original documents.
- Documents in language other than English must be accompanied by an official English translation.
- Students requesting credit for specific JCSU course equivalencies need to include detailed course descriptions (in English) with their transcript or evaluations from a nationally recognized educational evaluation service for consideration (e.g. WES or IEE).

*The evaluation of transfer courses is an ongoing process that typically continues through the first semester at the University by advisors. However, this may extend past the first semester depending on when the final official transcript and, if necessary, course syllabi are reviewed by the program.

**The University reserves the right to deny transfer credit based on falsification of documents. The university also reserves the right to modify this policy to remain within compliance.*

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TRANSFER PATHWAY



JCSU INFORMATION:

100 Beaties Ford Road
Charlotte, NC 28216
(704) 378-1000

Admissions Office

Admissions@jcsu.edu

Financial Aid

FinancialAid@jcsu.edu

Transfer Counselor

Brandon Harris
bharris@jcsu.edu

Articulation and Transfer Coordinator

Gia Wright
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FOLLOW THESE STEPS:

Prepare:

- Step 1: Submit official transcripts and complete admissions packet
- Step 2: Create JCSU Account
- Step 3: Financial Aid
- Step 4: Medical Records

Before Coming to Campus:

- Step 5: Commit & Deposit
- Step 6: Housing & Meal Plan
- Step 7: Advising/Registration

Get Settled:

- Step 8: Financial Clearance
- Step 9: Student ID
- Step 10: Parking

JCSU ACCOUNT

1. Complete JCSU Application
2. Submit official transcripts from all colleges/universities attended to Transcripts@JCSU.edu
3. Receive user name and password from Registrar
4. Go to my.jcsu.edu to log in

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FINANCIAL AID AND
SCHOLARSHIPS



**TRANSFER TRAILBLAZERS
SCHOLARSHIP:**

Tier One

- 3.5-4.0 cumulative GPA
- \$2,000 per semester (up to 4 consecutive undergraduate semesters)

Tier Two

- 3.0-3.499 cumulative GPA
- \$1,500 per semester (up to 4 consecutive semesters)

Renewable criterion:

- Maintain a 3.0 cumulative GPA per semester
- Attend 2 JCSU Career Services Workshops annually
- Participate in one service learning project annually
- Complete FAFSA annually by February 1st (if eligible)
- Maintain continuous enrollment as a Traditional undergraduate student
- Enroll and complete 12 credit hours each semester

JCSU TRANSFER CONNECT:

Tier One

- 3.5-4.0 cumulative GPA
- \$4,000 per semester (up to 4 consecutive undergraduate semesters)

Tier Two

- 3.0-3.499 cumulative GPA
- \$2,500 per semester (up to 4 consecutive undergraduate semesters)

Renewable criterion:

- Maintain a 3.0 cumulative GPA per semester
- Attend 2 JCSU Career Services Workshops annually
- Complete FAFSA annually by February 1st (if eligible)
- Maintain continuous enrollment as a Traditional undergraduate student
- Enroll and complete 12 credit hours each semester

FINANCIAL AID:

To be considered for financial aid at Johnson C. Smith University you must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). If you have not completed the FAFSA, follow the [FAFSA link](#) to apply online:

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FAFSA Checklist & Tips

1. Johnson C. Smith University's Title IV School Code is 002936.
2. Income information must be submitted on the application, including parents for Dependent students.
3. Report your income on the current FAFSA, for example:
 - Report your 2020 income and earnings on the 2022-2023 FAFSA.
 - Report your 2021 income and earnings on the 2023-2024 FAFSA.
4. Wait for a notification from the financial aid office based on the information provided on the FAFSA.
5. Access your financial aid information through your student portal:
 - The status of your financial aid award
 - View a list of documents we have received from you and a list of documents still pending
 - You can download documents required from you
 - View the financial aid awarded to you
 - You may also access your financial aid information through our Financial Aid Portal(NetPartner).
6. To access the Financial Aid Portal (NetPartner):
 - Access the Financial Aid Portal (NetPartner) Web ID, which can be found on your Award Notice and/or Missing Information Letter.
 - The Web ID is not the same as the JCSU Student ID.
 - If you did not receive a Web ID or it needs to be reset, please email the Office of Financial Aid.

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MEDICAL AND HOUSING

MEDICAL

Required Vaccines: Diphtheria, Tetanus, and/or Pertussis 1 Polio 2 Measles 3 Mumps 4 Rubella 5 Hepatitis B6

Student Health insurance information can be found at www.eiiastudent.org/jcsu

NC Immunization requirements North Carolina law requires all entering students to submit proof of required immunizations to maintain enrollment. Exemptions include the following: Students registered only for off campus courses, Students only attending classes scheduled at 5:00 PM or later, Students enrolled in weekend classes, Students taking a course load of four credit DAY hours or less per semester. If a student lives in ON-CAMPUS Housing NONE of the exemptions apply. If at any time a student previously exempted changes to on-campus courses, a course load of more than four credit day hours, or becomes an on-campus resident, required immunizations must be submitted at that time.

FOOTNOTE 1 – DTP (Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis), DTaP (Diphtheria, Tetanus, acellular Pertussis), Td (Tetanus, Diphtheria), Tdap (Tetanus, Diphtheria, Pertussis): 3 doses of tetanus/diphtheria toxoid of which one must have been within the past 10 years. Those individuals enrolling in college or university for the first time on or after July 1, 2008 must have had three doses of tetanus/diphtheria toxoid and a booster dose of tetanus/diphtheria/pertussis vaccine if a tetanus/diphtheria toxoid and tetanus/diphtheria/pertussis vaccine has not been administered with the past 10 years.

FOOTNOTE 2 – An individual attending school who has attained his or her 18th birthday is not required to receive polio vaccine.

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FOOTNOTE 3 – Measles vaccines are not required if any of the following occur: Physician diagnosis of disease prior to January 1, 1994; an individual who has been documented by serological testing to have a protective antibody titer against measles and submits the lab report; or an individual born prior to 1957. An individual who enrolled in college or university for the first time before July 1, 1994 is not required to have a second dose of measles vaccine.

FOOTNOTE 4 – Mumps vaccine is not required if any of the following occur: An individual who has been documented by serological testing to have a protective antibody titer against mumps and submits the lab report; An individual born prior to 1957; or Enrolled in college or university for the first time before July 1, 1994. An individual entering college or university prior to July 1, 2008 is not required to receive a second dose of mumps vaccine.

FOOTNOTE 5 – Rubella vaccine is not required if any of the following occur: 50 years of age or older; Enrolled in college or university before February 1, 1989 and after their 30th birthday; an individual who has been documented by serological testing to have a protective antibody titer against rubella and submits the lab report.

FOOTNOTE 6 - Hepatitis B vaccine is not required if any of the following occur: Born before July 1, 1994.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS and/or non-US Citizens: Vaccines are required as noted above. Additionally, these students are required to have a TB skin test administered with a negative result within the 12 months preceding the first day of classes (chest x-ray required if test is positive).

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HOUSING

Step 1 – Read and Review Online Application and Agreement

- Registration Fee: \$150.00 before applying (for housing)
- Submit your application online
- Receive user identification number which allows access to the online system

Step 2 – Submit Housing Application and Room Reservation Fee

- Deadline July 1
- Choose residence
- New Students: Sanders, Liston, Myers, and Greenfield Halls
- Current Students: Mosaic Village, Duke, New Residence, Greenfield

Step 3 – Submit Application

- Once submitted, the housing application becomes the housing contract, (and cancellation process must be followed)
- Housing will be assigned based on the order of submission.
- **If you are under the age of 18** at the time you submit your application, a parent and/or guardian must sign the agreement, located in the last section of this page.
- Note specific documented needs or medical conditions in the special accommodations section of the application.
- If you miss the July 1 deadline you still may submit an application; however students will be assigned based on availability.

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Step 4 - Room Assignments

- Students may check their housing assignment online in the JCSU Web portal - be sure to check the correct session
- You may print a copy of the room assignment and move-in instructions
- Assignments are made available online for new students in June-July and for current students April-June

Step 5 – Move-in

- Students must arrive on-campus according to the date and time specified. If you cannot move in during the designated date/time indicated, you must contact the Office of Residence Life, otherwise, you may be considered a no show, and your room will be canceled. If you decide for any reason you will not be attending the University, you must contact the Office of Residence Life for cancellation of housing.
- On the day of check-in, please be prepared to complete all necessary paperwork and receive your keys at your designated residence hall.

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STUDENT ID AND PARKING

STUDENT ID

Students will need to show a valid photo ID in order to receive the JCSU ID-Card. Locate designated areas during New and Transfer Student Orientation to pick up your card. Please refer to your Orientation schedule for specific locations and times.

Valid forms of ID include:

- State driver's license
- State-issued identification card
- Military-issued identification card
- Valid U.S. of foreign-issues passport (showing country of origin)
- Permanent Resident Alien Card
- Certificate of U.S. Naturalization
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If the ID is lost, Students may get ID Cards printed at Perry Hall.

PARKING

No student shall park in any Faculty/Staff parking lots between the hours of 8:00am-5:00pm, Monday through Friday, unless otherwise noted. This will be enforced 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year.

Student Parking Areas:

Dixon Street
Greenfield
Gym Parking Lot
New Residence Hall
Mosaic Village

The following documents are needed in addition to the Parking Registration Form for a parking decal:

- Proof of insurance
- Car registration
- Driver's License
- Receipt of Payment

Student Fees for Vehicle Registration:

\$60 Students (Undergraduate & Graduate)

\$30 June-August (Summer Months Only)

\$30 Evening and Online (Per Semester, Included in Tuition)

\$30 Secondary Decal

Replacement Decal: If you can bring the whole part or part of the decal from the vehicle you replace, there is NO CHARGE for the replacement. If you are unable to, the cost is \$30

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MAJORS



COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

Interdisciplinary Studies
Criminology
Communication Arts
Dance
Music
Political Science

**COLLEGE OF SCIENCE,
TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING
AND MATHEMATICS (STEM)**

Computer Engineering
Computer Science/Information
Systems
Information Systems Engineering
Mathematics
Biology
Chemistry
Biology/Chemistry

**COLLEGE OF BUSINESS AND
PROFESSIONAL STUDIES**

Sport Management
Social Work
Business Administration
Public Health

Curriculum Requirements for
admission to JCSU

(M) = Minor
(C) = Concentration

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MINORS



**COLLEGE OF LIBERAL
STUDIES**

Global Studies	Cyber-Intelligence and Technology Minor
Philosophy	Pre-Law
Ethics	Sociology
Religion	Communication Arts
English	Dance
Arabic	Music
Chinese	Sound Art
French	Animation
Spanish	Fine Arts
Criminology	Photography
History	Theatre
Political Science	
Cultural Studies	
Africana Studies	

**COLLEGE OF SCIENCE,
TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING
AND MATHEMATICS (STEM)**

Computer Science
Computer Engineering
Bioinformatics
Cyber Security
Mathematics
Biology
Chemistry
Sustainability
Psychology

**COLLEGE OF BUSINESS AND
PROFESSIONAL STUDIES**

Public Leadership Studies
Entrepreneurial Studies
Business Administration
Public Health
Health Communication
Sport Management
Sports Coaching
Sports Medicine
Exercise and Sport Science
Fitness and Wellness Management
School Health
Physical Education
ESport and Gaming Management
Social Work

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CENTRAL PIEDMONT COMMUNITY COLLEGE

- Complete and inquiry form found on CPCC and JCSU websites
 - Student must maintain a minimum 2.0 GPA in college coursework to be admitted to JCSU
 - Must complete an eligible program of study in the semester immediately preceding the desired term to enter JCSU
 - To remain eligible, students must enroll full-time at JCSU and remain in good standing with CPCC
 - Students that remain eligible receive at least \$8,000 to attend JCSU
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GASTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE

- Complete and inquiry form found on website
- Student must maintain a minimum 2.0 GPA in college coursework and complete Associate's degree to be admitted to JCSU
- Must complete an eligible program of study in the semester immediately preceding the desired term to enter JCSU
- To remain eligible, students must enroll full-time at JCSU and remain in good standing with CPCC
- Students that remain eligible receive at least \$8,000 to attend JCSU

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ARTICULATION AGREEMENTS

**NCICU/NCCCS (PSYCHOLOGY
ARTICULATION AGREEMENTS)**

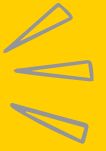
Pathways in psychology and sociology were mapped out by 13 community colleges and one private two-year college.

Community College Partners: Asheville-Buncombe Technical Community College, Blue Ridge Community College, Central Carolina Community College, Central Piedmont Community College, Durham Technical Community College, Forsyth Technical Community College, Guilford Technical Community College, Isothermal Community College, Roanoke-Chowan Community College, Rowan-Cabarrus Community College, South Piedmont Community College, Stanly Community College, Wake Technical Community College, Wilson Community College

NCICU Participants: Barton College: psychology, Brevard College: psychology, Campbell University: psychology, Catawba College: psychology and sociology, Chowan University: psychology, Gardner-Webb University: psychology, Guilford College: psychology and sociology, Johnson C. Smith University: psychology, Louisburg College (two-year): psychology & sociology, Mars Hill University: psychology and sociology, Meredith College: psychology and sociology, Pfeiffer University: psychology, Salem College: psychology and sociology, Shaw University: psychology and sociology, William Peace University: psychology, Wingate University: psychology

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