



NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

College of Health and Human Sciences

Bachelor of Science in Rehabilitation & Disability Services

Transfer Guide for Illinois Community College Students¹

This transfer guide is designed as an advising tool to facilitate a smooth transition between institutions by identifying relevant course work recommended to be completed prior to transfer.

Community college students are encouraged to

- Complete an A.A. or A.S. degree prior to transfer
- Utilize the *NIU Articulation Handbook* for information regarding the transferability of courses. Select your school and intended major to check for “Limited Admissions Programs Transfer Course Equivalents” (if appropriate) provided by the NIU Transfer Center. Articulation Handbook: <http://www.niu.edu/admissions/transfer/credits.shtml>
- Consult with the College of Health and Human Sciences and/or review the websites for their intended majors for detailed information about special requirements, program admission requirements, and course requirements. www.chhs.niu.edu

The major in [Rehabilitation & Disability Services](#) provides a basic liberal arts education along with a foundation of basic, but highly specialized, information about the theory and practice of providing rehabilitation services to persons with disabilities. The emphasis also focuses on the importance of the family in the rehabilitation process.

Many graduates choose to pursue graduate studies in rehabilitation counseling, occupational therapy, or related areas. Other graduates have obtained employment in any of a number of areas (social services, business, education, etc.). Students who complete master’s degrees in rehabilitation counseling meet the educational requirements for the designation of Certified Rehabilitation Counselor.

NIU also offers an [Accelerated Bachelor of Science in Rehabilitation & Disability Services to Master of Science in Rehabilitation Counseling](#) program. For more information, please contact the CHHS advising office directly at 815-753-1891 or via hhsadvisinghelp@niu.edu.

¹ Based on requirements in the 2018-2019 *Undergraduate Catalog*

Major in Rehabilitation & Disability Services

Courses Recommended Prior to Transfer

HSCI 318 Medical Terminology (3)
PSYC 102 Introduction to Psychology (3)
PSYC 225 Lifespan Development: Childhood through Adulthood (3)
or HDFS 280 Human Development, the Family, and Society (3)
STAT 208 Basic Statistics (3)
or STAT 301, Elementary Statistics (4)

Courses to be Completed at NIU

REHB 200 Disability in Society (3)
REHB 327 Introduction to Rehabilitation Services (3)
REHB 482 Post-Employment Services in Vocational Rehabilitation (3)
REHB 492 Medical Aspects of Disability in Rehabilitation (3)
REHB 493 Counseling in Rehabilitation Services (3)
REHB 494 Profession Practice in Rehabilitation Services (3)
REHB 495 Assistive Technology in Rehabilitation (3)

Two of the following:

CAHC 400 Exploration in the Counseling Profession (3)
COMD 220 Introduction to Communicative Disorders (3)
REHB 472 Occupational Therapy & the Rehabilitation Process (3)
REHB 497A Internship in Rehabilitation & Disability Services (3)

CAHC 211 Career Planning (3)

HSCI 460 Introduction to Research in Health & Human Sciences (3)

PSYC 316 Introduction to Psychopathology (3)

Additional course work to be selected in consultation with advisor, at least 9 credits at the 300-400 level (24)

NIU also offers an accelerated Bachelor of Science in Rehabilitation & Disability Services to Master of Science in Rehabilitation Counseling program. Please reach out to the CHHS Advising office directly for more information – contact information can be found below.

Specific information about admission requirements to Northern Illinois University and to programs in the College of Health and Human Sciences can be found in the current [NIU Undergraduate Catalog](#). Contact the Office of Admissions to obtain an application for admission. For additional information on programs in the college, contact HHSAdvisingHelp@niu.edu

- ❖ College of Health and Human Sciences (815) 753-1891
- ❖ Department of Military Science (815) 753-6239
- ❖ School of Allied Health and Communicative Disorders
Speech-Language Pathology, Audiology, and Rehabilitation Counseling (815) 753-1484
- ❖ School of Family and Consumer Sciences (815) 753-1543
- ❖ School of Health Studies
Medical Laboratory Sciences (815) 753-1382
Nutrition, Dietetics & Wellness (815) 753-1384
Public Health: (815) 753-1384
- ❖ School of Interdisciplinary Health Professions
Health Sciences and Rehabilitation & Disability Services (815) 753-1891

- ❖ School of Nursing
Nursing: (815) 753-1231
- ❖ Gerontology Program (815) 753-1891
- ❖ Office of Admissions (815) 753-0446

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