

## Outline of Pathways Initiative

**30-Credit Common Core:** All CUNY undergraduates enrolled in A.A., A.S., or baccalaureate degree programs will complete a 30-credit common core. A Task Force of faculty, students, and academic administrators, with faculty members predominant, will propose broad disciplinary or interdisciplinary areas defined by learning outcomes and recommend the number of credits to be allocated to each broad area. All undergraduate CUNY colleges will select individual courses that meet the learning outcomes in the areas specified by the Task Force.

**12-Credit College Option:** Baccalaureate colleges will require 12 additional general education credits. All students who start at baccalaureate colleges as freshmen will be required to complete college-specific requirements. Students who transfer from a CUNY associate program or from a non-CUNY regionally accredited college associate-degree program will be required to complete all or a portion of these requirements, depending on the total number of credits accumulated prior to transfer.

	Total Gen Ed	Common Core	
		Areas	College-Option
Baccalaureate college direct entrants	<b>42</b>	30	12
Associate college direct entrants	<b>30</b>	30	N/A
Associate to Baccalaureate transfers			
≤ 30 credits	<b>42</b>	30	12
> 30 credits but no associate degree	<b>39</b>	30	9
associate degree	<b>36</b>	30	6

### Course Transfer

**General Education:** If a student transfers from one CUNY college to another, all general education course credits of all types will be accepted as general education credits of that type without further evaluation.

**Major:** Clear pathways will be created for the largest CUNY transfer majors. Disciplinary committee will recommend for approval no fewer than three and no more than six courses that will be accepted as entry-level courses for beginning the major, or as prerequisites for such courses, by all colleges offering those majors.

**Electives:** All courses taken for credit at an undergraduate CUNY college will be accepted for credit at every other CUNY undergraduate college, regardless of whether a specific equivalency exists at the transfer college.

**NonCUNY Transfers:** Students' courses will be evaluated expeditiously and students will receive credits for general education, major, and elective courses if those courses meet the appropriate learning outcomes.