

1.1 American Council of Education (ACE) Recommendations

CIU recognizes credit on a limited basis with official ACE recommendation. An original, official transcript must be received directly from ACE indicating the organization's policy specific to military credit.

Exception (beginning May 2020): ACE recommendation of StraighterLine courses is accepted on a limited basis. A maximum of nine (9) total hours may be accepted for StraighterLine courses. These courses may only apply toward free electives.

1.2 Military Education

Transfer credit is evaluated on the basis of discharge papers (Form DD214, identifying the Military Occupation Specialty) or Form DD2586 which includes American Council of Education (ACE) transfer credit award recommendations. The *Guide to the Evaluation of Educational Experiences in the Armed Services* (ACE publication) is employed in establishing transfer credit awards. A maximum of 31 total credit hours may be awarded based on ACE recommendation.

1.3 Non-US Institutions

Credit will be awarded from international institutions based on an official evaluation and recommendation from World Education Services (WES). All standard transfer criteria apply (minimum grade, applicable to degree program, etc.).

1.4 Unaccredited Academic Institutions

Unaccredited institutions are defined as US institutions which are not accredited by an agency officially recognized by the US Department of Education. (50 CFR 171.16(a)(1)(ii)(A)(y)18(1)-119)

Torchbearer School. In the essay, students should explain how their experience at the Torchbearer School helped them grow in the areas of Biblical knowledge, ministry skills and spiritual life. The student should also include any mission trips they took, any outreach and evangelism that were done and any other outreaches or service projects that were experienced. The student will be notified of credit evaluation within 30 days of student submission. Policies on maximum credit to be awarded from unaccredited institutions (31 total hours) and the 2/3rd conversion applies.

1.6 The European Evangelical Accrediting Association (EEAA)

Transfer credit may be awarded from EEAA accredited institutions based upon the following:

EEAA's accreditation meets international standards promulgated by the International Network of Quality Assurance Agencies in Higher Education (INQUAHE).

EEAA is a recognized accreditor and core member of the International Council for Evangelical Theological Education (ICETE -- www.icete-edu.org). ICETE formally reviews and recognizes the accreditation of member associations and EEAA has earned this recognition based upon extensive documentation and peer review.

EEAA accreditation is recognized and reciprocated by the Association for Biblical Higher Education in Canada and the United States (ABHE --www.abhe.org).

Transfer credit is accepted on the appropriate level after credit hours are converted from the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS-Points) to US- credit hours at a ration of 1.5 ECTS-points to 1 US credit hour. See https://ec.europa.eu/education/resources/european-credit-transfer-accumulation-system_en

No more than $\frac{1}{4}$ of the requirements of any degree program may be credited through advanced standing. An approved Proficiency Exam Authorization form must be submitted to the Office of the University Registrar with evidence that the student has paid the non-refundable examination fee. Competency must be demonstrated by scoring at least 77 percent on a one-time-only written and/or oral assessment to be administered by the professor of record of the given course, with final approval granted by the dean.

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Standardized Tests

CoE, CICS, SSM Clinical Counseling: Standardized test credit can be utilized to satisfy prerequisite requirements for graduate-level programs i -5 on AP courses, a score of 50 on the CLEP or 55 on the DANTES examinations can be credited to satisfy M.A. in Counseling, M.A. in Teaching, and Master of Education undergraduate prerequisites. SSM standardized test credit is not accepted for SSM graduate level programs.

4. Additional Policies of the European School of Culture and Theology (ESCT)

CIU maintains a degree granting site in Korntal, Germany. ESCT serves a European target group with most students coming from German-speaking countries.

4.1 Supplemental Transfer Policies

ESCT Korntal undergraduate students earn a maximum of 33 semester hours for Abitur and 22 semester hours for Fach Abitur or Dual Mode. See the [ESCT Korntal Supplemental Transfer Policies](#).

4.2 Award of Credit for Language Proficiency

ESCT Korntal undergraduate students may earn a maximum of 12 credit hours total based on language proficiency. See the [ESCT Korntal Supplemental Language Proficiency Policy](#) for additional detail.

Hyperlinks