

## Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) for Future Transfer Students

### When should I apply?

- Transfer students are encouraged to [apply](#) to JSU at least 6 months within transferring to JSU. However, JSU does not have an admissions deadline and allows students to apply until the first day of each term.
- After applying, be sure to send updated transcripts at the end of each term so JSU can ensure your credit is up to date in our system.
  - For example, if a student applies in September 2020 for the Fall 2021 term at JSU, the student will need to send a transcript at the time of application, at the end of the Fall 2021 term, and at the end of the Spring 2021 term at his or her current college after he or she graduates.

### What is an official transcript?

- JSU considers a transcript official if it comes directly to JSU from the institution listed on the transcript.
- To ensure transcripts are delivered in a timely manner, be sure to send electronically to [transcripts@jsu.edu](mailto:transcripts@jsu.edu).

### How long will it take to receive an admissions decision?

- Once all supplemental items are received, we will typically have an admissions decision within 5-7 business day.
- Be sure to opt-in to text messaging when applying to stay updated through this process. We will email you as we receive each required supplemental item.

### How do I register for classes?

- Admitted transfer students can register for classes during [priority registration](#) until their desired entry term begins.
- Students must meet with an academic advisor in order to be cleared to register for classes. Meeting with an academic advisor ensures students take the correct courses and are on track to graduate.
- To find out who your academic advisor is, contact your [transfer admissions counselor](#).
- Be sure to use your JSU email address and include your student number when emailing your academic advisor.
- Transfer students that attend [Transfer Orientation](#) can register for classes at orientation.

### Do I have to attend transfer orientation?

- No, transfer students are not required to attend [Gamecock Orientation](#). However, it is strongly encouraged that students attend orientation.

### How can I see how my credits will transfer to JSU?

- Upon admission, students receive a MyJSU account and can see exactly how their credits transferred to JSU.
- All Alabama Community College students are encouraged to follow the [STARS guide](#) to ensure their credits transfer.
- Students can also use our [Transfer Equivalency Table](#) to see how classes will transfer from many institutions to JSU.

### **When will I find out if I received a transfer scholarship?**

- [Transfer merit scholarships](#) are awarded upon admission to eligible students.
- If at the time of admission a student does not have 45 or more transferable hours and a 3.0 or higher GPA, the student will automatically be reviewed for scholarships each time he or she sends an updated transcript.
- To see your current number of transferable hours and transferable GPA, simply login to your [MyJSU](#) account and view your Unofficial Transcript.
- For [competitive transfer scholarships](#), please apply through your Scholarship Manager account. Deadlines vary. \
- Students are notified via text, email, and mail when awarded a scholarship. Students can also go to their [MyJSU](#) account and click Scholarship Manager to see what scholarships they have been offered.
- Students can apply for [competitive scholarships](#) each year they attend JSU through the JaxApp due on February 1<sup>st</sup>.

### **How do I know what my financial aid offer looks like?**

- Upon admission, the [financial aid office](#) works as quickly as possible to process financial aid offers for students that have sent their FAFSA to JSU.
- Admitted students can login to their [MyJSU](#) account and go to the Financial Aid tab to see the current status of their financial aid and complete any outstanding requirements.
- If a student has questions about what he or she sees, the student can email [finaid@jsu.edu](mailto:finaid@jsu.edu) or call 256-782-5006.

### **What if I need to change my entry term, desired major, name, or other contact information before enrolling at JSU?**

- To make changes to a completed application, please complete [this electronic form](#).

### **What If I can't access my MyJSU account or my JSU email account?**

- Students are granted access to a MyJSU account and JSU email upon admission to JSU. The information for the accounts is sent in the acceptance email and letter.
- If you can't locate this information, please contact your [Transfer Admissions Counselor](#).
- To reset your password for either account, click [here](#).

### **What if I don't know what I want to major in?**

- At JSU, if you are not sure of your major, you will still be working towards a degree called [Integrated Studies](#). This unique program allows you to take classes across multiple disciplines in order to create your own degree with the help of specially trained advisors.
- All admitted students can work with our [Career Services](#) department to help pick majors best suited for their needs.

### **Can I tour campus as a transfer student?**

- You can set up a visit [here](#)!
- If you feel that a private meeting with your personal [transfer admissions counselor](#) would be beneficial to answer your questions, please feel free to reach out to schedule a meeting.

**Do I have to live on campus?**

- Transfer students are not required to live on campus but are welcome to apply to live on campus.
- Admitted students can apply for housing [here](#)! For any housing related questions, please email [jsuhousing@jsu.edu](mailto:jsuhousing@jsu.edu) for a quick response.

**How much will it cost to go to JSU?**

- Students can use our [Cost Calculator](#) or [Net Price Calculator](#) to get a better idea of the costs associated with attending JSU.

**Have additional questions?**

- Reach out to your [Transfer Admissions Counselor](#)
- Contact main office at [admissions@jsu.edu](mailto:admissions@jsu.edu)
- Visit [www.jsu.edu/transfer](http://www.jsu.edu/transfer)