



Sterling College

GUARANTEED ADMISSION ADVANTAGE FOR TRANSFER STUDENTS FROM BARTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Sterling College welcomes applications from any Barton Community College student, but this Guaranteed Admission Advantage (GAA) agreement provides special benefits for students who earn an Associate of/in Arts (A.A.) or Associate of/in Science (A.S.) degree with a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 or higher on a four-point scale (GAA students). This agreement provides special opportunities to help these GAA students experience a smooth transition to SC.

Important Benefits for GAA Students

1. No application fee.
2. Guaranteed admission with junior status.
3. Community college coursework completes all of the Sterling College general education requirements except for the Theology and Ministry Department courses and GD 105 Foundations of Servant Leadership.
4. All GAA students enrolling in SC are awarded scholarships designated by SC especially for GAA students. The amount of the scholarship depends on whether the student enrolls in on-campus program or one offered through Sterling College Online, and also on the incoming GPA and activity or sport participation. The SC admission application also serves as the scholarship application.
5. GAA students can have access to SC academic advisors, through the Sterling College admissions representatives, for advice and information on meeting requirements for various SC majors.
6. GAA students will be considered on the same basis as students who matriculated as first time freshmen students for admission to competitive programs, registration, financial aid, scholarships, student housing, parking, and any other opportunities open to students at the junior level.

Admission of GAA Students

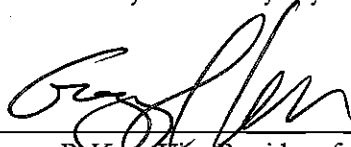
1. Students must submit a completed SC application for admission as well as an official transcript showing completion of the A.A. or A.S. degree.
2. SC will guarantee the acceptance of all transferable credits earned from the A.A. or A.S. degree program, not to exceed 65 credits. Only courses with grades of "C-" or higher will satisfy requirements for the major. No distinction will be made by SC regarding college courses applicable

to the transfer-oriented associate degree that are taken through dual enrollment arrangements with high schools.

3. Students will be required to complete degree specific requirements upon transfer. Some of these requirements may be fulfilled by the equivalent community college courses.
4. Credit for courses completed through International Baccalaureate or Advanced Placement programs will be accepted according to SC policies in place at the time of enrollment as found in the SC Academic Catalog. These policies will also guide the awarding of credit by examination.


Revision of this Policy

The Guaranteed Admission Advantage policy, as all SC policies, are subject to change as deemed appropriate by the College without prior notice and without obligation. Students who entered under this GAA policy will not be adversely affected by any changes.



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Sterling College

Date



Dr. Carl Heilman, President
Barton Community College

8/8/12

Date



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Date