

The College Transfer Academy

2024-2025 School Year

The College Transfer Academy is an opportunity for high school seniors to earn 27 college credits during a single year of high school. This year's academy will occur in two locations: the Regional Learning Center (RLC) in Black River Falls and the RLC in Mauston. Western will offer the courses in our new 7-Week format. This means you will take two classes each 7-week session. In-person instruction begins at 9:00 am each morning, but students are invited to come as early as 8:00.

The classes at the Academy will be taught in a hybrid format; this means that four of the required six hours of class time each week will be conducted in person at the RLC and two hours of modular activity will be conducted virtually without the direct presence of the instructor. Instructors will be available for office hours either after their daily class at the RLC or during work time via Zoom. Western Technical College will also offer in-person academic support through a member of our Learning Support and Transition Team.

This academy is ideal for focused, goal-driven seniors who are certain they want a four-year track. Upon completion of the Academy, students can enroll at Western and finish up an Associate's of Arts or Science degree or take the credits to a four-year University. The College Transfer Academy essentially allows high school students to take their first year of college courses during their last year of high school.

Courses Offered Black River Falls

	Fall Term Courses	Credits		Spring Courses	Credits
S1	Public Speaking	3	S1	Race, Class, and Gender	3
S1	General Biology	4	S1	Introduction to Literature	3
S2	Introduction to Philosophy	3	S2	College Algebra	4
S2	World in the 20 th Century	3	S2	Social Problems	3
S1&2	College Success	1	S1&2	Career Development	1
	Total	14		Total	14

Transferability: All the classes in the Academy are universally transferable to 4-year institutions. However, as part of the College Success/Career Development courses, students will investigate the applicability of the courses to their intended majors at their intended institution of higher education.

Daily Schedule

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:00	Travel	Travel	Travel	Travel	Travel
8:30	Time	Time	Time	Time	Time
9:00					College
9:30	Class A	Class B	Class A	Class B	Success
10:00					
10:30					Class Work
11:00	Office Hours	Office Hours	Office Hours	Office Hours	Time
11:30	Office Hours	Office Hours	Office Hours	Office Hours	
12:00	Flexible	Flexible	Flexible	Flexible	Flexible
12:30	Time	Time	Time	Time	Time
1:00					
1:30					
2:00					
2:30	Travel	Travel	Travel	Travel	
3:00	Time	Time	Time	Time	

Term	Meaning
Office Hours	Instructors will offer at least 30 minutes of office hours to students for extra
	help each week. This will either be in-person after class is done or virtual on
	another day.
Travel Time	Students will be assumed to be traveling during this time. The Regional Learning
	Centers will be open for students at 8:00 each morning. Students are welcome
	to stay as late as they wish.
Flexible Time	This is time for students to work on their classwork, eat lunch, or travel back to
	their home district. This decision will be up to the individual student's
	discretion.
Class Work Time	Specific time set aside for students to work on the 2 hours per class virtual
	component. General Biology will have a 2-hour virtual lab each week to
	complete.
Class Time	Classes begin at 9:00 and last for 2 hours.
Class A, B, C, or D	Classes will run for 2 hours and require an additional 2 hours per class of hybrid
	time each week. Students should also expect 1 to 3 hours of homework per
	course beyond the hybrid module.

Work Time: Students will have up to three hours each day to work on their Academy coursework on Mondays through Thursdays. On Fridays, students have an additional hour due to the shorter, 1 credit course.

Support: Western Technical College will offer support staff to help students in the Academy classes. Our instructors will be available outside of class to answer questions and provide additional guidance.