

We know you have a lot of questions about earning your degree — you're not alone. Below, get answers to the questions we hear most about our degree plans, military credit and more.

I've never attended college. How do I get started?

It's easy. Start by filling out an application. If you're not quite ready and still have a few questions, request an information packet or register for an upcoming information session. Or, make an appointment with a New College admission counselor.

What if I've already earned college credits elsewhere?

You can transfer credits from any regionally accredited two-year or four-year college in the United States or abroad (but no more than 66 hours from a two-year college). In order to be eligible for transfer credits, you'll need to have earned a grade of C or better in each class you want credit for.

Can I get college credit for military experience?

Yes. St. Edward's helps you easily turn your military experience into college credit in just two steps:

1. **Request that your military branch send an official transcript directly to St. Edward's.** Community College of the Air Force transcripts are needed as part of your application. Other military service members should send along military transcripts as soon as possible. If you don't have a military transcript, just provide us with your DD214 instead.
2. **Talk with your academic advisor.** After you're admitted, we'll let you know what college credit you've earned. In some cases, we might need additional documents detailing your military service. If so, we'll contact you.

Can I get credit for college classes I took abroad?

Yes. If the classes are listed on a transcript from an American university, make sure to request that St. Edward's receives a copy. If they're not listed, you'll need a foreign credential evaluation like those offered by the Foreign Credentials Service of America or World Education Services.

Will I have enough time for work, school and the other demands of daily life?

New College is designed to help you balance your life while finishing your degree:

- Enjoy working with one team for all your admission needs. We will assist you through the application process. After being admitted, our advising team will help you make the right academic decisions to reach your career goals.
- Take advantage of fast-track majors and options to accelerate your degree.
- Attend selected classes online at your convenience — 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

I've been out of school for a while. How do I know I can do this?

Only you can make this decision. But our staff can provide the information and support that will help. New College offers degree plans geared toward busy people of any age.

Will I be the oldest student in the class?

Students of every age enjoy learning in New College. Wendell Mayes finished a BA in Computer Systems Management at age 78. He also went on to earn a Master of Liberal Arts and an MBA from St. Edward's.

Is there a lot of paperwork to get started?

No. St. Edward's is sensitive to other commitments you may have. We've streamlined our admission process to make it easy and less time consuming to apply. Plus, your admission counselor is there to answer any questions.

Can I apply online?

Yes. All prospective New College students can apply online. It's just another way that we've simplified enrollment to make it more convenient for you.

Who will get back to me if I apply?

First, you'll get an e-mail confirmation that we received your application and a second e-mail with information on how to check your application status. You'll be able to instantly see what else you need to do to complete the process.

Can I get information by e-mail?

Absolutely. Just contact your New College admission counselor for what you need at 877-SEU-GRAD (738-4723) or 512-448-8717.

Is there a campus that's close and convenient for me?

Classes for New College students are held at two locations. The main St. Edward's campus is in South Austin, a few short miles from downtown on South Congress Avenue. Our North Austin location is in the Arboretum area.

Can I reach campus by bus?

Our main campus is on Capital Metro's Route 1 bus line for easy access.

Can I change degree programs?

Yes. If your career plans change, you may need to select another program. Always consult your academic advisor first to be sure you're making the right choice for your goals.

What if I need to take a term off?

As long as you earn credit for at least one class a year, you won't need to reapply when you're ready to start again. You remain actively enrolled for an entire year, even if you don't take a class during one or two terms, as long as you are making progress toward CLEP or DSST exams or are creating portfolios. Talk with your New College admission counselor if you have questions.