

# Your Graduation Destination



**Transfer Student  
Initiatives and Services**

University of South Carolina Aiken

The University of South Carolina Aiken looks forward to not only being a part of your educational journey, but to being your graduation destination. Transferring to a new institution can be both overwhelming and exciting. We recognize this and are committed to assisting transfer students in every step of their journey – beyond the application process and all the way to graduation!

*Dr. Stacie L. Williams*  
*Transfer Center Director*



# Top Programs of Study For Transfer Students

Nursing | Business Administration | Education | Cybersecurity  
Engineering | Psychology | Biology



**65+**

Programs of Study



**40 Programs**

Centered around Study  
Abroad Opportunities



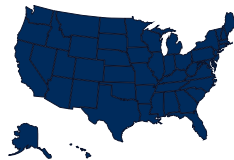
**3900+**

Students



**15:1**

Student Faculty Ratio



**Our Community**

Students come from 36  
States, 38 Countries and  
all 46 counties in S.C.



**100+**

Student Organizations



# Who is a Transfer Student?

Any student who has attended another college or university after graduating from high school.



## KAYLIN BENDER

**BIOLOGY/PRE-VET, Class of '23**

Hometown: Dripping Springs, TX

USC Aiken Polo Team - Captain

### Why did you choose USC Aiken?

“I applied to USC Aiken right out of high school and had done a tour, seen the city, played polo here, etc. So, when I was looking to transfer, I revisited the school and decided to give it a try. Turns out, USC Aiken was perfect for me and for what I was wanting to do. Not to mention that USCA already had an established polo program that is only 15 minutes from campus.”



## SERENA MATHIS

**PSYCHOLOGY, Class of '24**

Hometown: Johnston, SC

Leadership Programs -  
Student Coordinator

### Why did you choose USC Aiken?

“I decided to transfer because I wanted to be able to grow as an individual, connect with my community, and be a part of things that would be bigger than myself. I chose USC Aiken because it was close to home, I knew I would get a valuable education, and be a part of a campus life that will help me grow as an individual.”





## CARSON UMBARGER

**HISTORY, Class of '24**

Hometown: Lexington, SC

USC Aiken Pacesetter

### **Why did you choose USC Aiken?**

“Better academics, better community, and a place to get involved. My parents both attended and it immediately felt like home.”

## USC System Transfer Questions

### **I am currently enrolled at another USC campus, am I a transfer student?**

Yes, if you are currently enrolled at another USC campus, you are a Change of Campus transfer student.

### **I previously attended USC Aiken (or another USC campus), am I a transfer student?**

Yes, if you have missed a major semester (fall or spring) or more at USC Aiken or any other USC campus, you are a Readmit transfer student. If you have attempted work at any other non-USC institution, you will need to submit transcripts from those institutions.





# Majors and Programs

## College of Sciences & Engineering

- **Biology & Geology**
  - Environmental Remediation & Restoration
  - Molecular Biology
  - Clinical Laboratory Science
  - Earth Systems Science
  - Public Health
- **Chemistry & Physics**
  - Biochemistry
  - Computational Chemistry
  - Engineering
- **Computer Science**
  - Cyber Security
  - Applied Gaming
- **Engineering**
  - Industrial Process
  - Mechanical
- **Exercise & Sports Science**
  - Allied Health
  - Basic Sciences
  - Fitness Management
- **Mathematics**
- **Psychology**
  - Neuroscience
  - Clinical Social/Developmental

## School of Education

- **Early Childhood Education**
- **Elementary Education**
- **Middle Level Education**
  - English
  - Mathematics
  - Science
  - Social Studies
- **Secondary Education**
  - Chemistry
  - Comprehensive Social Studies
  - English
  - Mathematics
  - Biology
- **Special Education**

## School of Nursing

- **BSN Generic**
- **RN to BSN**

## College of Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences

- **Communication & Emerging Media**
- **English**
  - Creative Writing
  - Professional Writing

- **History, Political Science & Philosophy**

- History
- Political Science
- International Studies
- International Relations
- Philosophy
- Religious Studies

- **Languages, Literatures & Cultures**

- Spanish: Language, Literature & Cultures
- Spanish: Translation and Interpretation

- **Sociology**

- Criminology & Criminal Justice
- Human Services

- **Visual & Performing Arts**

- Music: Instrumental
- Music: Vocal
- Music: Piano

- Music: Education
- Art History
- Art Studio & Digital Design
- Graphic Design
- Theatre
- Liberal Studies

## **School of Business Administration**

- **Accounting**
- **Finance**
- **Management**
- **Marketing**

## **Pre-Professional Programs**

- **Dentistry**
- **Medicine**
- **Law**
- **Pharmacy**
- **Vet**

# **Aiken Online**

USC Aiken offers 100% online degree completion programs in a variety of majors. The goal of our online education programs are to make education convenient and accessible to everyone.

## **Palmetto College**

Palmetto College is an online degree completion program for transfer students who have already completed 45 or more college credits, typically their general education requirements, and need to finish their undergraduate degree. Degree programs offered through Palmetto College are Accounting, Cybersecurity, Communication, Emerging Media, Finance, Management, Marketing, Psychology and Special Education. All courses are completed through online instruction. To learn more about USC Aiken Palmetto College, visit [usca.edu/palmetto-college](https://usca.edu/palmetto-college).

## **RN to BSN (Registered Nurse to BS in Nursing Online)**

The University of South Carolina Aiken online RN to BSN program is designed to help working nurses transform their nursing career and complete their baccalaureate degree. The nursing major courses can be completed in as little as one year. Visit [online.usca.edu](https://online.usca.edu) for additional information.

# Honors Program

The Honors Program offers academically talented, highly motivated students the opportunity to join a unique learning community with enriched learning experiences. Transfer students with 45 credit hours or less and a college GPA of 3.5 or higher may apply to the USC Aiken Honors Program. Application details are available at [usca.edu/honors](https://usca.edu/honors).

## Explore Aiken

Located in the cyber and STEM capital of South Carolina, USC Aiken offers you excellence in cutting-edge fields. USC Aiken provides a personalized, student-focused experience that is affordable and nationally-ranked.

### Campus Life Highlights

- Apartment-style living
- Army ROTC
- Study Abroad
- Undergrad research and internships
- Greek Life
- Starbucks and Chick-fil-A
- Visual and Performing Arts
- 15+ intramurals
- Teaching Fellows
- Disney college program
- Business leadership symposium
- 100+ Clubs and Organizations

### Things To Do

- Hiking
- Biking
- Kayaking
- Shopping
- Theatres
- Live Music
- Internships with local businesses





# Transfer Center Events

## Transfer Tuesdays

Join the Transfer Center on special Transfer Tuesdays for programming focused on connecting transfer students to the Pacer Transfer Nation through events and information.

## National Transfer Student Week

Mark your calendar each October for National Transfer Student Week! Join us for a week of events celebrating your accomplishments and connecting you with other transfer students and campus resources.

# University Housing

## Your Home Away From Home

Transfer students have the option of two furnished apartment-style living opportunities which include on-site amenities, such as laundry facilities, swimming pool, Wi-Fi and computer labs. Visit [usca.edu/housing](http://usca.edu/housing) for more information and video tours of each housing location.

# Costs (per semester)

### In-State



**\$5,199**

Tuition



**\$2,738**

Housing



**\$1,630**

Meal Plan

\*Subject to change

### Out-of-State



**\$10,428**

Tuition



**\$2,738**

Housing



**\$1,630**

Meal Plan

\*Subject to change





## Transfer Talk (FAQs)

**Am I required to submit an official final transcripts from every college that I attended?** Yes. Regardless of the type of institution that you attended or the grades that you earned, you must submit an official final transcript to complete your application.

**How many college credits are required to be considered for transfer to USC Aiken?** At least 12 transferable semester hours (18 quarter hours) from college level work is required.

**What happens if I have completed less than 12 credit hours?** You will be required to submit your official final high school transcript and official college transcript(s).

**Do I have to earn my associate degree before transferring to USC Aiken?** No. You may even be eligible to participate in the Reverse Transfer Program.

**What is the Reverse Transfer Program?** This program is an opportunity for students who transferred from a two-year institution before completing an associate degree to complete the degree requirements of their associate degree while attending classes at USC Aiken. If a student previously attended a two-year institution that participates in the Reverse Transfer Program, a student may be eligible to transfer credits earned at USC Aiken back to their previous two-year institution(s) to retroactively earn an associate degree. The associate degree requirements and completion are not determined by USC Aiken, but by the two-year institution.

**When will my transcripts be evaluated?** Official transcript evaluations are provided after a student is accepted to USC Aiken. A student may also

conduct an unofficial transcript evaluation by visiting [sctrac.org](https://sctrac.org) or reviewing the transfer equivalency tables on [usca.edu/transfer](https://usca.edu/transfer) (in the Transfer Credit Evaluation section).

**Does my financial aid transfer from my previous college?** Many federal and state loans and grants can be transferred from other institutions. Students should contact the USC Aiken Office of Financial Aid for information on the process to transfer financial aid to USC Aiken.

**Do I have to attend Orientation?** Any transfer student attending USC Aiken for the first time must attend Orientation to meet with an academic advisor and complete their course registration. Students attending classes on-campus will attend an in-person orientation. Students enrolled in online degree programs will attend an online orientation.

**Can transfer students complete their degree online?** USC Aiken offers several 100% online degrees for transfer students through our Aiken Online Programs.

**Do transfer students have scholarship opportunities?** Transfer students who are admitted by July 15, who are transferring at least 30 hours but less than 90 hours with a cumulative GPA of 3.5 at all institutions, and who are not currently receiving a scholarship are automatically considered for any funds that remain after renewals have been issued to students already receiving scholarships. Transfer students also must have satisfactorily completed 67 percent of all attempted courses to be eligible.

## How do I apply to USC Aiken?

**To be considered for transfer admission, you must have:**

- 12 or more transferable semester hours (18 quarter hours) at an accredited college or university.
- If less than 12 transferable semester hours have been earned, a copy of your high school transcript or GED must be submitted.
- Academic good standing and be eligible to return to the last institution you attended.

**To apply for admission, submit your**

- USCA application ([usca.edu/apply](https://usca.edu/apply))
- \$45 application fee
- Official college transcripts from all previously attended institutions

**After applying**

- Check your application status in the Pacer Application Portal ([apply.usca.edu/status](https://apply.usca.edu/status))



### Connect With Us

**Facebook:** @uscatransfercenter

**Instagram:** @usca\_transfercenter

**Web:** [usca.edu/transfer](https://usca.edu/transfer)

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**Schedule a Visit:** [usca.edu/admissions/visit](https://usca.edu/admissions/visit)

**Virtual Tour:** [www.massinteract.com/university-of-south-carolina-aiken](https://www.massinteract.com/university-of-south-carolina-aiken)

### Transfer Center

**Email:** [transfer@usca.edu](mailto:transfer@usca.edu)

**Phone:** 803-641-3366

## Priority Application Deadlines:

July 15 for Fall | December 1 for Spring

Submit a complete application by the priority dates and receive an admission response before the designated semester. Applications submitted after the priority dates cannot be guaranteed a review and admission response before the designated semester and may not be reviewed until the next semester.

