In accordance with the recommendation of the Middle States Commission on Higher Education, Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania strives to transfer college credit in a student-centered, fair, consistent, flexible manner, while maintaining the academic integrity of the university and its curricula.

The acceptance or denial of transfer credit is not determined exclusively on the basis of the accreditation of the sending institution or the mode of delivery, however, national or regional accreditation is expected of the transfer institution.

SRU does not limit the number of credits a student may transfer to the University; however, students must complete all Graduation Requirements.

SRU will consider all non-developmental transfer credits for which a letter grade of "C" or greater was earned.

For students who have earned an associate degree from a Pennsylvania community college, SRU will consider all non-developmental transfer credits for which a letter grade of "D" or greater was earned.

For students who have attended another Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education institution, SRU will consider all non-developmental transfer credits for which a letter grade of "D" was earned, if the student has earned a QPA of 2.0 or higher at all institutions he/she has attended.

Transfer students who apply for admission as Education majors must have earned a cumulative QPA of 2.8 or higher to receive a regular offer of admission to SRU. Applicants who fall below this cumulative QPA requirement may be offered "Major Conditional" admission to the University. Major Conditional students are required to enroll as "Exploratory/Majors". After the Major Conditional student has earned 12 credits or more with a QPA of 2.8 or higher, he/she may be permitted to declare an Education major and may be eligible to apply to the College of Education.

SRU converts Quarter Hour credits to Semester Hour credits by multiplying the Quarter Hours by .666. Resulting credit hours valued as a fraction or percentage, 2.33, 2.5, etc., may be used to meet requirements, however, students must still earn a total of 45 credits of Liberal Studies.

Students may be exempted from COMM 200 – Public Speaking, if they transfer 63 or more credits and have earned a cum GPA of 2.5 or greater.

Students exempted from any LS category must still earn a total of 45 credits of Liberal Studies.

**What is the 30-Credit Transfer Framework?**

As a participating member of the Pennsylvania Transfer and Articulation Center (PATRAC.org), SRU actively strives to transfer and use towards graduation requirements, those courses completed in accordance with the 30-Credit Transfer Framework.

**What is Academic Passport?**

The Academic Passport is a transfer program designed to facilitate the transfer of students of Pennsylvania community colleges to Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education (PASSHE) universities, and to support the transfer of undergraduate credits earned by PASSHE students to other PASSHE universities. Students who meet the established criteria will be granted an Academic Passport, which will guarantee admission to the university and the fullest consideration of transfer credits.

**Academic Passport Criteria and Privileges**

**Students transferring with an Associate Degree:**

- Students who have earned a Pennsylvania community college Associate in Arts (AA) or Associate in Science (AS) degree, which has a liberal arts/science component of a minimum of 30 credits, will be granted an Academic Passport and will be guaranteed admission to the university if the student has earned a minimum QPA of 2.0 from all institutions attended. The student must apply for admissions in accordance with the established university policy on admission.
- Guaranteed admission to the university through Academic Passport does not necessarily guarantee admission to specific academic programs. Some academic majors may require higher admission standards than the Academic Passport requirement.
- For those students holding the appropriate associate degree, the letter grades of “D” or above are acceptable to the university. Some academic majors may require that the letter grade of “C” or above be earned for specific course-work.
- Academic Passport students must meet all of the established program admission standards required of indigenous students.
- In the acceptance and application of transfer credits for students holding an Academic Passport, the university will strive to apply all credits earned at the community college towards the completion of the baccalaureate degree. In certain circumstances, such as a change in major or intended program of study, it may not be possible to apply all credits earned at the community college.

**Students Transferring From Other Pennsylvania State System (PASSHE) Universities:**

- Students transferring from other PASSHE universities who have attained a 2.0 QPA or higher in a minimum of 12 credit hours of college level course-work and hold a minimum 2.0 QPA from all institutions attended hold an Academic Passport and are guaranteed admission to the university. The student must apply for admissions in accordance with the established university policy on admission.
- Guaranteed admission to the university through Academic Passport does not necessarily guarantee admission to specific academic programs. Some academic majors may require higher admission standards than the Academic Passport requirement.
- For those students holding the Academic Passport, the letter grades of “D” or above are acceptable to the university. Some academic majors may require that the letter grade of “C” or above be earned for specific course-work.