The University of Colorado at Denver and the Health Sciences Center were consolidated into a single university, University of Colorado Health Sciences (UCHS), on July 1, 2004, and renamed to University of Colorado Denver (UCD) on September 29, 2007. The institution's campuses are now known as the University of Colorado Denver and the University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus.

ACCREDITATION

The University of Colorado is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (hlcommission.org), a regional accreditation agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education.

ISSUING CAMPUS FOR TRANSCRIPTS

Each campus has the authority to produce and issue a complete transcript that contains all courses attempted at any University of Colorado campus, including their Continuing Education/Extended Studies Divisions. Official transcripts include the complete undergraduate, graduate, professional, and non-degree academic record of all credit-based courses taken at all campus locations or divisions of the University of Colorado. Students may request a career-based transcript that produces a partial record. Questions concerning the issuance or authenticity of the transcript should be directed to the campus the student attended.

STUDENT PRIVACY/RELEASE OF INFORMATION

In accordance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, this transcript is provided upon the condition that the receiver or those acting on behalf of the receiver do not disclose or provide access to the information contained in it to any other party without explicit consent of the student.

TRANSCRIPT AUTHENTICITY

A paper transcript sent to the address on each page bears a preprinted University seal and includes the signature and title of the issuing authority. The transcript incorporates a background design of the university’s seal. The face of the transcript is printed on a blue background with the name of the university appearing in white type across the entire document.

TRANSCRIPT NOTATIONS

Effective Fall 1995, Dean’s List notations appear at the end of each term earned. Students are considered to be in good standing with the university and eligible to re-enroll unless stated otherwise elsewhere on the transcript. Students who have been on academic probation and are no longer on academic probation may be noted. These transcripts have notations that indicate the general type of sanction, the effective date and duration of the sanction, and the issuing department. For more information, contact the appropriate department on the issuing campus.

GRADE POINT AVERAGE (GPA)

Grades earned in repeated courses are included in the GPA and cumulative totals unless otherwise noted. The Grade Point Average used graduate grades beginning Fall 1988. Prior to that, the total number of credits was used. Record transfer is not included in the University of Colorado GPA. In Fall 2019, Boulder and Denver and in Fall 2020, Colorado Springs implemented varying grade replacement and forgiveness policies. From Fall 2001 to Summer 2010 Boulder had a different course repetition policy. See respective campus for policy details.

ACADEMIC CALENDAR

Beginning Fall 1951, all campuses are on a 16-week fall and spring semester system unless otherwise noted. University of Colorado Sweetwater campus and the Law School have 12-week semesters. The University of Colorado Law School has a unique grading system. Credit earned through the School of Law is not included in GPA.

UNIT/CREDIT HOURS

While there can be some variation to this structure amongst the campuses and programs, in most cases, the unit of credit is the number of the instructional, research and/or other academic work over the length of a semester, and the value of a unit is calculated based upon standard semester credit hour formulas.

CUMULATIVE GRADES

Before 1972, cumulative totals were total hours and credit points used for calculation of the GPA only. After 1988, cumulative credits include hours earned and GPA based on the level of the student (undergraduate, graduate, graduate non-degree and professional careers). A student’s transcript may include credits in more than one career level.

GT PATHWAYS PROGRAM

The Colorado State Legislature approved a set of general education courses guaranteed to transfer between state institutions. These courses appear on the transcript with the notation of "GT" followed by two characters that identify the subject area. See:

RECIPROCAL AGREEMENT PROGRAM

Graduate credit taken through a reciprocal exchange agreement with another Colorado institution is indicated by a departmental stamping of RCPR, RCISM, RCSIU, and RUNC. Discontinued in Fall 2020.

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

The four University of Colorado campuses do not share a common course catalog. Current catalogs and course descriptions may be found by accessing the home pages of each campus.

TRANSFER, STUDY ABROAD AND TEST CREDIT

Beginning 2016, accepted external credit is labeled “Transcript, Test and/or Study Abroad Credit Applied.” Transfer credit converted from the prior student information system may appear as summary data on the transcript. This information is labeled “Advanced Standing.”

For Study Abroad credit, beginning in 1988, a generic course number was used with the first digit of the course number followed by zeros and an extension of SA. The first digit designated the level of the course. Although actual dates of enrollment may have varied, the courses were listed to coincide with the UC catalog number assignment. Study Abroad courses appear as transfer credit earned under “Transfer, Test and/or Study Abroad Credit Applied” with a “See Study Abroad Credit” note in the semester the student studied abroad.

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