

Visiting Student Letter of Permission

Under special circumstances, Bachelor of Music students may apply for permission to take a course at another post-secondary institution. These requests are occasionally considered to provide exposure to diverse academic experiences and breadth in curriculum to enhance the student experience. It is in place to give you access to opportunities not available at MacEwan.

Process

You must apply for and be granted permission before starting an external course. The visiting student process is governed by the **External Course Taking policy**. If approved for visiting student permission, you will receive a Letter of Permission from MacEwan University's Office of the University Registrar. Without the Letter of Permission, transfer credit will not be applied to your MacEwan University student record.

Basic requirements

Eligibility is determined on a case-by-case basis, but the following two lists outline some basic requirements.

Visiting student applicants must:

- Be declared
- Be in good academic standing at the time of the application
- Ensure compliance with program of study residency requirements
- Be aware of and adhere to the application, prerequisite and graduation deadlines

Visiting student permission will not be granted:

- For courses considered a program and/or major capstone
- To bypass prerequisite requirements

Important notes

- Approval is given only for the course and term listed on the Letter of Permission. If you wish to take a
 different course, or take the course in a different term, or attend a different institution, you must submit a
 new visiting student application.
- You must comply with the visiting student deadlines and policies of both MacEwan University and the host institution.
- Students will not be considered for credit overload under the visiting student application.
- If you begin, but withdraw from or fail a course for which visiting student approval was granted, you must still submit an official transcript from the host institution to the Office of the University Registrar.
- If you do not take a course for which visiting student approval was granted, you must inform musicdegree@macewan.ca in writing.
- Your eligibility for academic awards or scholarships may be affected when you complete courses at another institution. Contact the Financial Aid Office in the Office of the University Registrar with any questions.
- If approved, it is your responsibility to ensure that you are enrolled in MacEwan University courses as per Withdrawal from University Programs policy

Procedure

Part I: Timelines and deadlines

Visiting student requests may take up to four weeks to process. Advisors will only review visiting student requests during the following periods:

To take course in: Request within the following time window:

Fall After the Winter add/drop deadline until August 1
Winter After the Fall add/drop deadline until December 1
Spring After the Winter add/drop deadline until April 1
Summer After the Winter add/drop deadline until June 1

Part II: First steps

- 1. Run and review your Academic Program Progress Report (APPR) to confirm you meet all of the Basic Requirements above.
- Check the <u>Alberta Transfer Guide</u> to find the course you want to transfer. If your course is not listed, we
 require the course outline/syllabus. If in another language, certified translation is required. More details are
 available at <u>Articulation Requests MacEwan University</u>
- 3. Initiate an inquiry by emailing musicdegree@macewan.ca from your student email. An academic advisor will review your request and respond with further information and an application form, if appropriate.

Part III: Request

- 1. If directed, complete the application form, and return to musicdegree@macewan.ca
- 2. An academic advisor will review your request and forward it for consideration.
- 3. You will be advised of the decision via email. Please note that decisions are final and will not be reconsidered.
- 4. If your application is approved, the Office of the University Registrar will send a Letter of Permission (LOP) to your MacEwan email. Retain the LOP as it contains important information and instructions you will need upon completion of the external course.

Part IV: Enrolling and receiving credit

- 1. It is your responsibility to apply and enrol at the host institution. MacEwan University has no role in your application, admission or registration at the host institution.
- 2. Upon completion of the external course, you must arrange for an official transcript to be sent directly from the host institution to MacEwan University's Office of the University Registrar.
- 3. You are responsible for ensuring all transcripts are received in the Office of the University Registrar by document deadlines. Failure to meet any deadline may impact your program progress and/or graduation.
- 4. If you plan to use a visiting student course to meet prerequisites for a MacEwan University course, your transfer credit must be posted to myStudentSystem prior to enrolling in the next level course.
- 5. Check your transfer credit report in myStudentSystem to ensure that transfer credits are properly posted.



Request for Letter of Permission

For students wishing to complete a course elsewhere for credit

INSTRUCTIONS

- To request a Letter of Permission, please complete this form and return it to your Academic Advisor.
- A Letter of Permission provides visiting student status and guarantees credit upon successful completion at MacEwan University (Policy C2035).
- The Letter of Permission is in place to give students access to opportunities NOT available at MacEwan University.
- Students who have not completed a credit course at MacEwan University for a period of 12 consecutive months are no longer considered active MacEwan students and must re-apply for admission into their program (Policy E1055).
- Residency Requirement: Students may take up to a maximum of 50% of their program requirements at another post-secondary institution.
- Students are responsible for ensuring all official transcripts are received by the Office of the University Registrar at MacEwan University by the
 published document deadline dates for graduation: May 1 for spring convocation or October 1 for fall convocation.

Name			Student ID		# 0	# Credits Completed		
Program						ost recent	Number of credits in	
myMacEwan e-mail:				Academic Standing	term GPA previous term			
mynacewan e-man.				Good Probationary				
Intended Usage of Credits Transferred				Reason for Taking the Course at Another Institution				
Program Core Course								
Major Required Course								
Program Option								
Elective								
Extra to the Degree								
Host Institution:				Term of attendance:				
Intended Courses				Potential Transfer to MacEwan University				
Course Code	Course Name		Credits	Course Code		Course Name		Credits
Printed Name – Student		Printed Name – Advi		isor		Printed Name – Associate Dean, Students		
Signature – Student		Signature – Advisor				Signature – Associate Dean, Students		
Date		Date				Date		
Special Instructions				Associate Dean Decision				
Will granting this request result in course overload?				Application Sta	tus:	Approved	Denied	
Yes			Conditions:					
Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy								

The personal information requested on this form is collected under Section 33(c) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act for the purpose of one or all of the following: To determine eligibility for admission and financial assistance, to advise students about academic programs and to provide university services at MacEwan University. Questions concerning this collection should be directed to the Lead,

Privacy and Information Management at privacy@macewan.ca.