

Transient Student FAQ



WHAT IS A TRANSIENT/VISITING STUDENT?

A transient or visiting student is a four-year college or university student taking Tri-C courses to transfer back to their home institution.

HOW DO I ENROLL AS A TRANSIENT/VISITING STUDENT?

Follow the steps at tri-c.edu/visiting.

I'VE TAKEN CLASSES AT TRI-C BEFORE. DO I HAVE TO REAPPLY?

Student records are deactivated after a period of three consecutive semesters without registration. Those with an inactive status must [reapply for admission](#) to the College. Call 216-987-6000 or use [Live Chat](#) for assistance.

CAN I USE FINANCIAL AID AS A TRANSIENT/VISITING STUDENT?

Tri-C doesn't offer financial aid to transient students; however, you can contact your home institution's financial aid office about a consortium agreement. (Please note that payment is due at registration.)

WHY CAN'T I ACCESS THE FORM UNDER STEP 3?

There are a few possible reasons:

1. You haven't been accepted to Tri-C yet.
2. You aren't listed as a transient/visiting student.

HOW DO I CHANGE MY STUDENT TYPE TO TRANSIENT/VISITING?

Contact the [Enrollment Center](#) at 216-987-6000 (Option 1) or use [Live Chat](#) for help changing your student type.

CAN I TAKE CLASSES AT ANY CAMPUS?

Transient students are welcome to take classes at any Tri-C location or [online](#).

HOW DO I KNOW IF THE COURSE I WANT TO TAKE IS AVAILABLE ONLINE?

Search the [Tri-C course listings](#). The course modality is listed alongside the campus location.

WILL MY CREDITS TRANSFER TO MY HOME INSTITUTION?

You may need to obtain approval to transfer Tri-C credit to your home institution. See Step 3 at tri-c.edu/visiting for detailed instructions.

HOW DO I REQUEST A TRANSCRIPT?

Visit our [Transcripts webpage](#) for instructions on requesting your transcript online.

HOW DO I GET MY COURSE SYLLABUS?

Visit our [Course Outline page](#) for further information.

THE CLASS I NEED TO TAKE IS FILLING UP.

CAN YOU HOLD A SEAT FOR ME?

No, but you can request to join the [wait list](#) (if available).

I SUBMITTED MY TRANSCRIPTS, SO WHY AM I STILL UNABLE TO REGISTER?

As a transient/visiting student, you must obtain written permission from your home institution or upload your unofficial transcript to the Transient Student Enrollment Request form. Learn more at tri-c.edu/visiting.

HOW SOON CAN I REGISTER AFTER COMPLETING THE TRANSIENT STUDENT ENROLLMENT REQUEST FORM?

Once the form is processed, you'll receive a confirmation email (at your Tri-C address) with registration instructions.

HOW DO I ACCESS MY TRI-C EMAIL?

[Click here for instructions on accessing your student email account](#). All official College business is communicated via this account.

HOW DO I RESET MY PASSWORD FOR MY TRI-C SPACE?

Go to my.tri-c.edu and click Forgot Password. You'll need your Tri-C student number (S#) to proceed.

I NEED TO TAKE A LECTURE, BUT NOT THE ASSOCIATED LAB. IS THIS POSSIBLE?

If the lecture and lab are linked as one course, you must take both. If they aren't linked, you do have the option to take one or the other.

WHAT IF I DON'T DO THE LETTER OF CONSENT?

Without a letter of consent from your home institution, a student will have to demonstrate eligibility to enroll in coursework as determined by prerequisites.

