



**DISTANCE LEARNING SYSTEMS**  
The Power to Change Your Life.



**EMPIRE STATE**  
UNIVERSITY

## Transfer Guide

### Distance Learning Systems and SUNY Empire State University

**Distance Learning Systems, Inc. (as of July 2023)**

<b>Distance Learning Systems, Inc. Course Titles</b>	<b>ACE Credit Recommendation<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Empire State University Credits Accepted</b>
American Government	3	3
American Literature	3	3
Anatomy and Physiology I	3	3
Anatomy and Physiology I Lab	1	1
Anatomy and Physiology II	3	3
Anatomy and Physiology II Lab	1	1
Beer and Wine in Western Culture	3	3
Biology	3	3
College Algebra	3	3
College Mathematics	3	3
Developmental Psychology	3	3
English Composition 1	3	3
English Composition 2	3	3
Ethics	3	3
Fundamentals of Public Speaking	3	3
Health and Human Development	3	3
History of United States I: Early Colonization to 1877	3	3
Introduction to Anthropology	3	3
Introduction to Humanities	3	3
Introduction to Macroeconomics	3	3
Introduction to Microeconomics	3	3
Introduction to Philosophy	3	3
Introduction to Psychology	3	3
Introduction to Sociology	3	3
Introduction to World Religions	3	3
Life and Teachings of Apostle Paul	3	3
Microbiology	3	3
Microbiology Lab	1	1
Nutrition	3	3

<sup>1</sup> ACE credit recommendations are for students who are completing these courses as of the time of signing this agreement. Courses completed prior to or after this point in time may have a different ACE credit recommendation level. SUNY Empire will do a course-by-course review to determine the appropriate number of credits to award based on the date of completion for each student applicant.

Pathophysiology	3	3
Pharmacology	3	3
Principles of Management	3	3
Statistics	3	3
Substance Abuse	3	3
Technical Writing	3	3
Western Civilization I: Ancient Near East Through 1648	3	3

Distance Learning Systems' students and alumni who enroll at SUNY Empire and have completed any of the courses listed in the table above will be eligible to apply the recommended credits to their degree program at SUNY Empire. Students may also apply other non-duplicative advanced standing credits, such as transcribed credits from another accredited college or university, as long as these credits fit into an approved degree program at SUNY Empire.

The maximum amount of advanced standing a student may be granted at SUNY Empire is 93 total credits (up to 79 lower-division credits). This total would include lower and upper-division transcript credits, pre-evaluated credit (such as ACE, NCCRS, or SUNY Empire's Professional Learning Evaluation program), military credits, and individualized prior learning assessment.

### **General Education and Liberal Arts**

SUNY Empire requires B.S. degree students to complete a minimum of 62 liberal arts and sciences credits, and B.A. students must complete 93 credits.

To satisfy SUNY General Education requirements, every SUNY Empire bachelor's degree program must include at least 30 credits from seven of ten general education knowledge and skill area categories:

Mathematics (required)	Communication (required)
Natural Sciences (required)	Diversity: Equity, Inclusion and Social Justice (required)
Humanities	Social Sciences
The Arts	US History and Civic Engagement
World Languages	World History and Global Awareness

### **Degree Programs at SUNY Empire**

To see a list of undergraduate degree programs offered at SUNY Empire, please go to [Undergraduate Degree Programs](#).

### **Benefits for Distance Learning Systems, Inc. Students**

SUNY Empire will provide the following benefits for participating students:

- Provision of a one-time \$100 *Better Together* scholarship
- Waiver of the \$50 admission / orientation fee
- Non-New York residents are eligible for an Empire State University nonresident tuition grant that significantly lowers their tuition rate

**To apply**

**[www.esc.edu/Apply](http://www.esc.edu/Apply)**

**Enter this benefits code in the online application: ECPTRDLS**

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