Minimum Course Requirements
- Four Units of English
- Two Units of a Language other than English
- Three Units of Mathematics including Algebra I, Algebra II and Geometry
- One Unit of a Laboratory Science
- One Unit of American History
- One Unit of Chemistry preferred for students planning to major in Nursing

Upon receipt of the items above, an application will be reviewed and an admissions decision made. Neither high school grade point average nor test score has an absolute minimum requirement. It is the combination of factors that is important. Any offer of admission is contingent upon receipt of a final transcript confirming satisfactory completion of the high school diploma (or equivalent).

The University may grant admission to outstanding students who have not completed four years of high school work. Students should apply for early admission only if they have an excellent high school record, supportive SAT or ACT scores, and the endorsement of their parents and their high school. An interview may be required for early admission applicants.

TRANSFER STUDENTS
A transfer is a student who has obtained a high school diploma (or equivalent) and has been enrolled at any college/university for one or more semesters following high school graduation. The Office of Admissions reviews the college record in order to evaluate transfer applicants who will be successful here. Of importance to selection is the number and level of academic courses taken in college, as well as the performance in these classes. The University is also interested in service, leadership, and other extracurricular activities in which students have participated. Applicants must be in good social and academic standing at their previous institution(s).

Transfer applicants will be considered for admission upon meeting the requirements specified below. It is the student’s responsibility to submit the following:
1. A completed, accurate application for undergraduate admission and a non-refundable $35 application fee
2. Official transcripts from each college or university attended*
3. Dean’s reference form from each college or university attended**
4. An official high school transcript if 30 or fewer semester or 45 quarter hours have been attempted. Official SAT or ACT scores may be requested on a case by case basis.

Note: Students who have earned a baccalaureate degree and wish to pursue a second one are welcome to apply to Lenoir-Rhyne University.

*Prospective students may be admitted based on unofficial transcripts and/or as courses are in progress, however a final transcript must be received prior to a student enrolling at Lenoir-Rhyne.

**Prospective students may be admitted without a Dean’s Reference Form (unless applying to the Nursing Program), however a completed Dean’s Reference Form from each college attended prior to applying to LR must be received prior to a student enrolling at Lenoir-Rhyne.

TRANSFER OF CREDIT
An official evaluation of credit, completed by the Registrar’s Office, will follow admission and commitment to Lenoir-Rhyne University by submission of the Enrollment Deposit. Courses taken at a regionally accredited College/University in which a grade of “C” or better has been earned may be transferred to Lenoir-Rhyne for credit. Course requirements may be fulfilled, but no credit will be awarded, with a grade of “D” in the first of sequential course offerings, provided the student earned a grade of “C” or higher in the following course and the first course is a prerequisite for the following course.

With special permission from the University Registrar, a student may transfer, as general elective credits, up to 6 hours of passing grades below the grade of “C” from another regionally
Accredited institution. These hours may be used only as general elective credits and will not satisfy any program or core curriculum requirements at Lenoir-Rhyne. Once a student matriculates and continues uninterrupted, no subsequent grade below a "C" completed at another institution may be transferred for credit.

Credit from an accredited junior or community college is limited to a maximum of 64 semester or 96 quarter hours. A maximum of 96 semester hours may be transferred from all institutions. As a minimum, the last 25% or 32 semester hours of major course work and two Level II courses (and capstone) must be completed at Lenoir-Rhyne. Exceptions to this rule are extremely rare and may be only granted by the University Provost or Registrar.

During the evaluation of transcripts from other institutions, special scrutiny will be given to credits earned more than ten years preceding the applicant’s transfer. The University reserves the right to reject such credit when, in the judgment of the University Registrar and the appropriate program faculty, the coverage and content of the particular course(s) has undergone substantive change. After a student has transferred, the grade point average is computed only on work attempted at Lenoir-Rhyne. Any transfer student may elect to transfer no credits from former institutions and take the total number of hours required for graduation at Lenoir-Rhyne University. A student who takes the total number of hours required for graduation at Lenoir-Rhyne University may elect to delete all credits from former institutions at any time prior to graduation.

Students who have earned an Associate of Arts or Associate of Science degree from a North Carolina Community College may transfer the AA/AS degree to Lenoir-Rhyne to be used in place of the University’s core courses with the exception of the LR Orientation course (LRU 100/101/102), REL 100, COM 111, six credits of foreign language and the core’s level two courses and capstone experience. Level two core courses and the capstone experience must be completed at Lenoir-Rhyne; there are no transfer equivalencies for these courses. Note that some programs at Lenoir-Rhyne require specific technical requirements; these will be evaluated on a course by course basis and are not covered under the articulation agreement with the AA/AS transfer policy.

Students who have earned an Associate of Arts/Science degree outside of North Carolina are not subject to the agreement outlined above. A course by course evaluation will be conducted by the Registrar’s Office to determine if the AA/AS degree satisfies the essence of the Lenoir-Rhyne core curriculum and which, if any, core courses will remain as part of the student’s curriculum at Lenoir-Rhyne. These same rules apply to any student who transfers to Lenoir-Rhyne having previously earned a baccalaureate degree from an accredited institution.

Lenoir-Rhyne has also partnered with local community colleges to create specific articulation agreements with specified Associate of Applied Science programs (i.e. Entrepreneurship, Exercise Science). Details of these articulation agreements are listed in the Special Programs section of the University Catalog.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS
All international applicants must submit the following information:

1. A completed, undergraduate application and a non-refundable $35 (U.S.) application fee.
2. Official transcripts for each college or university attended which have been translated into English and evaluated into a course-by-course report by an approved credential evaluation agency.
3. Proof of English proficiency if the applicant’s native language is not English. The preferred method of proof is an official score report from the TOEFL (LR’s school code is 5365), IELTS, SAT (5365) or ACT (3118). Applicants must have a minimum TOEFL score of 550 on the paper-based version, 213 on the computer-based version, or 79 on the internet-based version. The minimum IELTS score is 6.5. The minimum SAT score is 480 on the evidence-based reading &