



90-30 Frequently Asked Questions

1) Is the 90/30 a new degree at Northern Arizona University (NAU)?

No. This degree is an option under our existing Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies program. There are two degree options for each emphasis, a Bachelor of Arts (BA) and a Bachelor of Science (BS). We added two emphases that allow a transfer of 90 units - Public Management and Humanities.

2) What is the difference between a B.A. and B.S. degree?

The main difference between the BA and BS tracks is the BA requires four semesters of coursework in a language other than English and the BS option requires 12 units of science, math or research courses. Check with your NAU advisor to see which option is the right one for you.

3) Does the B.S. track require any specific math courses beyond the AGEC (the equivalent of NAU's MAT 114)?

No, however a student may wish to take a MAT course to assist in fulfilling the Science requirements under the Communication Skills area.

4) Are additional lab courses necessary to fulfill the Science requirement in the B.S. degree?

No, the courses can be lecture based science classes.

5) What associate degrees transfer into the NAU 90-30 program?

All associate's degrees that are designed for transfer are good options. An AAS degree can be used for transfer into the 90-30. However, students need to ensure they are meeting all program requirements (including general education requirements, which can be met with the completion of the AGEC) within the 90 units of transfer.

6) What courses do I need to complete within the 90 units of transfer?

Students need to ensure they have met all the liberal studies (fulfilled with AGEC); communication and computer skills; and either the science or language other than English requirement within the 90 units of transfer. Students who have not met all these requirements may have to take additional classes.

7) What if I have coursework from multiple community colleges and universities?

NAU allows a maximum of 90 units of transfer work from regionally accredited community colleges for this program only. Students can transfer coursework from several community colleges. Transferable coursework from regionally accredited universities is not subject to the same 90 unit limit.

8) How many credits must I earn from NAU to earn my bachelor's degree?

Students need to complete a minimum of 30 units with NAU to earn an NAU degree.

9) Can I be dually enrolled at a community college and NAU at the same time?

Yes, students can be dually enrolled at a community college and NAU.

10) Is there a time limit for when courses no longer count towards a degree?

With the exception of computer literacy courses, which have a ten year time limit, there are no time limits on coursework.

11) Is it correct to say that any course that transfers to NAU could apply towards this bachelor's degree?

Yes, any course that meets the transfer guidelines can be used in the degree. However, students must still meet all degree requirements.

12) Can I use military credits, or CLEP credit with this degree?

Yes, DANTES and CLEP Credit are accepted at NAU. These credits do not fulfill the requirement for students to earn a minimum of 30 units from NAU.

13) Do I have to take any of my classes on the Flagstaff campus?

No, students do not have to attend classes in Flagstaff. Students can enroll in locally delivered classes at selected NAU sites for the Public Management emphasis. Classes are also available online for the Public Management and Humanities emphases.

14) What will my diploma read if I take all my classes through NAU's Distance Learning program?

Your diploma will read that you are a graduate of Northern Arizona University. No distinction is made as to the location from which you earned your degree.

15) What is the cost of tuition at NAU?

This depends on your residency status. However, in-state students enrolled in a Distance Learning program pay the lowest tuition rate possible to attend a state university in Arizona. You can find our tuition rates at the following location - http://home.nau.edu/bursar/tuition_fees.asp.

16) What kind of financial aid is available for me with the 90-30 program?

Students can apply for the standard financial aid programs including - grants, loans, and scholarships.

17) How do I apply for admission to the program?

We recommend you contact an NAU advisor to ensure you are ready to apply and enroll at NAU. Students apply for admission online at the following website: <https://www.applyweb.com/apply/northaz/>.

18) Who will be my advisor?

You may work with an advisor at a local NAU site or you can be advised by the NAU Distance Learning advising staff located in Flagstaff. The Distance Learning advisors will meet with you by phone or email to cover program requirements. You can find an NAU advisor at the following website: <http://www.distance.nau.edu/>

19) What kind of student services are available to me as an NAU Distance Learning student?

Students have access to advisors, financial aid counselors, Cline Library, Disability Support Services, Learning Assistance Center (online tutoring, writing resources, study skill resources, etc) and career planning.

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1-800-426-8315

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