

Transfer Essay — “Why Transfer”

I joined my present institution with specific academic objectives and a desire to push myself. In the last year, I have established a sound base by undergoing challenging coursework and having substantial interactions with professors. Due to growing interests in academics, however, I realized that my long-term objectives now need access to more than what my current institution would offer.

Courses in computer science and applied mathematics have helped me realize that I had a strong interest in solving problems with research, especially in the fields that relate technology to real-world consequences. Although my professors have been helpful, my institution has few opportunities to access highly researched laboratories, interdisciplinary studies, and senior electives that would support my interests. I have pursued all the available opportunities, but I am also prepared to work in a place of academically wider scope.

The next step would be the school I am applying to. Its focus on undergraduate research, the flexible curriculum, and the ability to cross-disciplinary work appeals to me directly in line with the ways I learn and what I would like to achieve. Particularly appealing to me is the possibility of closely collaborating with faculty on research projects, and the availability of peers possessing the same degree of intellectual curiosity and innovation. The resources would enable me to acquire more knowledge and contribute to the academic community.

The reason I make this decision to transfer is, it is not to abandon dissatisfaction but to start ahead effectively. I owe my present institution its core, the one that has enabled me to discover my strengths and wants. A transfer would enable me to pursue such ambitions to a greater degree, within a setting that is suited to promote higher enquiry, teamwork, and development. I am prepared to make this subsequent step purposeful and committed.