Transfer Student Checklist

1. Academic Preparation

☐ **Meet with an Academic Advisor:** Review your degree plan and ensure all courses align with transfer requirements.

☐ **Verify Course Transferability:** Use transfer equivalency tools or check with the university to confirm credits will transfer.

- https://www.waketech.edu/programs-courses/credit/transfer-choices

☐ **Complete General Education Requirements:** Ensure all prerequisites for your intended major are completed.

☐ **Maintain a Strong GPA:** Many universities require a minimum GPA for transfer. Aim to exceed this standard.

2. Application Process

☐ **Research Application Deadlines:** Note the deadlines for both the university and specific programs.

☐ **Submit Your Application:** Complete the application via the university's admissions portal.

☐ **Write a Personal Statement/Essay (if required):** Highlight your academic journey and goals.

☐ **Request Transcripts:** Send official transcripts from your community college and any other institutions attended.

☐ **Apply for Financial Aid:** Complete the FAFSA and any additional university-specific financial aid applications. Upload school FAFSA Codes.

- https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa

☐ **Pay Application Fees or Submit Fee Waivers:** Ensure all fees are paid or waivers are approved.

3. Financial Planning

☐ **Search for Scholarships:** Look for transfer-specific scholarships and apply early. (CFNC Scholarships. Scholarship Workshops.)

- https://www.cfnc.org/

☐ **Review Tuition Costs and Payment Plans:** Understand the costs and create a financial plan.

☐ **Set Up Financial Aid at Your New School:** Verify that your aid package has been processed.

4. University Transition

☐ **Confirm Acceptance:** Respond to your admission offer by the deadline.

☐ **Attend Transfer Orientation:** Learn about campus resources, academic policies, and your program requirements.

☐ **Register for Classes:** Work with an advisor at your new university to schedule classes.

☐ **Explore Housing Options:** Secure on-campus or off-campus housing, if needed.

☐ **Get Familiar with Campus Resources:** Learn about libraries, career services, tutoring, and health centers.

5. Final Steps

☐ **Meet Graduation Requirements at the Community College:** If earning an associate degree, ensure all requirements are met.

☐ **Request Final Transcripts Post-Graduation:** Send updated transcripts reflecting your completed degree or coursework.

☐ **Connect with Peer Mentors:** Join transfer student organizations or mentorship programs to build connections.