

Apply for Direct Connect

You may participate in Direct Connect directly out of high school or if you are currently enrolled at SSC.

1. Apply online for admission at starkstate.edu/admissions_form/
2. Submit your documents:
 - Official high school transcript, GED or high school equivalent
 - Official transcripts from ALL colleges you previously attended, if you're a transfer student
3. Complete placement testing
 - Submit your ACT scores if you've taken the test within the last two years
 - If you don't have ACT scores, call the SSC Office of Admissions at 330-494-6170 ext. 4228 to schedule an ACCUPLACER exam
4. Complete the Direct Connect participation form at: starkstate.edu/direct-connect



When you transfer to UA you will automatically be considered for the Akron Guarantee Scholarship for transfer students. This award is renewable for up to six consecutive terms and has the potential to grow as you make progress toward your degree. Go to uakron.edu/guarantee

For more information about Direct Connect, go to uakron.edu/direct-connect or starkstate.edu/direct-connect, or contact:

- UA Transfer Services at transfer@uakron.edu
- UA Advising at explore@uakron.edu
- UA Engagement at nso@uakron.edu
- Jeanette Scavuzzo, SSC Enrollment Representative, 330-494-6170 ext. 4625 or jscavuzzo@starkstate.edu



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Direct Connect Engagement Opportunities at UA

Direct Connect is a partnership between **Stark State College (SSC)** and **The University of Akron (UA)** that allows you to complete an **associate degree at SSC** and then transfer directly into a **bachelor's degree program UA**.

All of UA's bachelor's degree programs are available through Direct Connect. Some of the most popular programs at UA include engineering, business, nursing, biology, computer science, psychology, sport science and wellness education, communication, political science, and art.

As a Direct Connect participant **you will have access to resources and services at both institutions**, including advising, career services, sporting events, recreation centers, libraries, computer labs, parking, internet services and more.



Partnered Advising

- Academic **advisors from UA and SSC will work together** to meet with you regularly to ensure you are on track to completing your associate degree and transferring seamlessly to UA.
- In your final semester at SSC, you will meet with an advisor from your degree-granting college at UA to register for classes.

Engagement Opportunities

- Receive an event calendar each semester and engage in events and programs at SSC and UA.
- Receive the **Direct Connect Engagement Award**, covering your \$100 Transfer Confirmation Fee, by:
 - Completing two consecutive check-in meetings with an advisor at SSC or UA;
 - Participating in one financial wellness program featured in the event calendar prior to transferring to UA; and
 - Participating in two other Direct Connect events on the calendar prior to transferring.
- Note: Students seeking the award are strongly encouraged to complete the requirements above by the middle of their final semester at SSC, before registering for classes at UA.

Accessing UA Resources

- **Direct Connect Zip Card:** Receive a Zip Card, your official UA photo ID, to access buildings, sporting events, library privileges, meal plans and more.
- **Direct Connect Parking Pass:** Park for free at UA's East Campus Parking Deck.
- **Student Success Center in Simmons Hall:** Visit UA's Direct Connect advising office and lounge space in Simmons Hall.

