



Articulation Agreement for Rhema

Global Christian University has assessed the transferability of Rhema Bible Training College (RBTC) (<https://rbtc.org/>) core curriculum. Students should request an RBTC transcript with a list of courses and RBTC-assessed units or clock hours. These units are unaccredited.

RBTC is a part of Transworld Accrediting Commission International (TACI) <https://www.transworldaccrediting.com/schools>, which is not a federally recognized accrediting agency.

RBTC calculates their hours and units as follows (for year 1): 480 contact hours is 60 clock hours, or 30 semester credit hours (per year - both year 1 and 2 are calculated similarly). The U.S. standard is 15 contact hours per semester unit. The annual 480 contact hours would be 32 semester units (48 quarter units).

Summary of RBTC Curricular Requirements

- Unaccredited Associates diploma
 - Year 1 and 2, which is $48+48 = 96$ potential quarter units
 - Benchmark: Southwestern Christian University (SCU) gives 40 semester units (60 quarter units) of transfer credit to its college.
 - The $\frac{2}{3}$ unit benchmark of SCU seems consistent with other TACI-accredited programs.
 - GlobalU will award a similar 40 semester units for the combined Year 1 and 2.
 - **ACCREDITED INSTITUTIONS REQUIRE 60 SEMESTER UNITS FOR AN AA EQUIVALENCY**
- RBTC does NOT offer an unaccredited BA degree. They do offer up to two years of Ministerial training beyond the Associate's diploma.
 - Year 1 and 2, which is $48+48 = 96$ potential quarter units
 - Year 3 and 4, which is $48+48 = 96$ potential quarter units
 - Applying the $\frac{2}{3}$ multiplier for ministry school to a formal academic setting, this amounts to 80 semester units for the 4-year program.
 - **ACCREDITED INSTITUTIONS REQUIRE 120 SEMESTER UNITS FOR A BA EQUIVALENCY**
 - 4 years at Rhema will not be considered a Bachelor's equivalent unless an additional 40 semester units are also provided by another institution.

The RBTC program offers courses in Biblical Studies, leadership, and ministry that are compatible with the hour requirement of GlobalU.

- Standard residency unit requirements at GlobalU still exist. All RBTC units are treated as GE-level transfers.

- AA and BA degrees from RBTC do not transfer because they may be below the accreditation standards of 60 or 120 semester units, respectively.
 - AA degrees transfer as 40 semester units
 - BA degrees transfer as 80 semester units

The RBTC 4-year diploma is sufficient for admission to the GlobalU Master's program if the student has completed a total of 120 semester units of college-level work.

Please note: The units can be used toward a degree at Global Christian University. These units will not convert to GlobalU units for transfer to other locations. They will be used for internal accounting toward a degree, but will not be reflected on the GlobalU transcript if a student transfers before completing their degree.

*Per TRACS guidelines, up to 25% of a degree may be transferred from an unaccredited institution. The AA degree can include up to 15 semester units of unaccredited transfer credit. The BA degree can include up to 30 semester units of unaccredited transfer credit.