

Subject: Explore Nelson University's Transfer Pathways and Special Valley Forge Scholarships

Dear Valley Forge Students,

My name is **Cynthia Bell**, and I serve as the **Vice President for Enrollment at Nelson University (formerly SAGU)**. I want to begin by expressing our deepest sympathies for the difficult season you and the University of Valley Forge community are navigating. Please know that Nelson's leadership has been praying for UVF, and we trust that God will continue to faithfully direct your steps.

We know that completing your degree is a priority, but finding the right community to finish that journey is just as important. At Nelson University, our mission is to equip students spiritually, academically, professionally, and cross-culturally for their God-given careers and callings. We believe Nelson could be an excellent next step, because Nelson is more than just buildings or a campus. It's a vibrant, safe, and Spirit-filled community that feels like family and develops students that take the whole gospel to the whole world.

To help make your transition as seamless as possible, we have intentionally developed transfer pathways that allow **all credits earned at UVF to transfer into a Nelson degree program**. Our goal is to honor the work you have already completed and help you finish your degree with confidence. In addition, Nelson is offering a **special Valley Forge transfer scholarship**, which can be combined with other institutional aid for which you may qualify, including academic scholarships, Fine Arts scholarships, and our **50% Ministry Degree Guarantee**. Please see the attached information for complete details regarding these transfer opportunities and financial aid offerings.

Nelson offers **more than 100 degree programs**, ranging from ministry, business, and education to behavioral sciences, music, health sciences, and digital media arts. We are also honored to be recognized as the **leading Assemblies of God institution in producing credentialed ministers**, making Nelson a natural fit for many UVF students. We would also love the opportunity to welcome you to campus. We are offering **complimentary overnight visits** for interested students, allowing you to stay in our residence halls, explore campus, meet faculty and students, and prayerfully discern whether Nelson is where God is leading you next. **There is still time to visit, apply for free, and enroll for the Fall 2026 semester.**

We understand that this transition may bring uncertainty, and we want you to know you are not walking through it alone. We are praying for you and are committed to helping you navigate your next steps with clarity and confidence. If we can answer any questions or schedule a personal conversation with an admissions counselor, please contact us at admissions@nelson.edu. We would be honored to serve you.

Be Blessed,

Cynthia Bell, M.Ed.

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Nelson University Transfer Guide

An Informational Overview for The University of Valley Forge Students

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Nelson University Overview for University of Valley Forge Students

1. Nelson has over 100 degree programs ranging from the associate's to doctoral level. There are a variety of marketplace and ministry degrees along with accelerated options leading from a bachelor's to master's program in a reduced timeframe. Nelson is committed to transferring in all coursework previously earned at UVF*. A full list of degrees can be found online at www.nelson.edu/degrees
2. Nelson offers an **on-campus experience along with online education**. UVF students can complete a degree as a residential student or as a fully online student.
3. Nelson is an affordable university that offers both federal financial aid through the FAFSA and a variety of institutional scholarships and grants. UVF students can apply for all Nelson scholarships they are eligible for. In addition, Nelson is **offering three special financial incentives designed to help UVF students** complete their degree at an even more affordable rate. It is expected that the out-of-pocket cost will be considerably less at Nelson than the current rate at UVF due to these special offers and current pricing.
 - **UVF Scholarship:** \$3000 per semester (on-campus)
 - **Academic Scholarship:** Minimum \$2500 per semester (on-campus, no GPA requirement)
**Can qualify for a higher amount based on transfer GPA*
 - **Reduced Online Tuition Rate:** \$325 per credit hour (online)
4. Students must apply to Nelson and begin courses **before Fall 2027** to be eligible for the special provisions. These include automatic admission, specialized transfer pathways, and special financial incentives. We readily welcome applicants for the **Fall 2026** semester.
5. Students can **apply for free** at www.nelson.edu/apply using code **"UVF"**. Once admitted, Nelson will also **waive the \$150 enrollment deposit**.
6. Nelson is a sister Assemblies of God University and is the **leading institution in producing AG credentialed ministers**. As such, all ministry degrees include a Bible core that qualifies students to pursue credentials at the licensed level upon completion.
7. Nelson Athletics is proud to offer 15 varsity sports teams at the NAIA Division I level. Nelson is also part of the NCCAA and competes in the Sooner Athletic Conference (SAC).
8. Nelson is a spirit-filled learning community that is passionate about education, spiritual formation, and fun. To help students explore where God may be leading them next, **Nelson is offering a limited number of overnight visit experiences to UVF students**.

* Special transfer credit reviews may be needed where licensure, specialized accreditation, or regulatory requirements are involved