



FAQ Document – Student Transition to Lewis

1. Will my courses transfer?

- a. Oak Point University has arranged for Lewis University to serve as a teach-out institution per the guidelines of the Higher Learning Commission (HLC). In accordance with HLC guidelines, Lewis University will accept all credits earned toward your degree completion.

2. What do I do if I have an outstanding balance to Oak Point?

- a. In order to ease the transition to Lewis, Oak Point University financial holds will be removed to allow for a smoother transition. Keep in mind, Spring balances will remain until arrangements are made with our Student Accounts office.

3. When will the university officially close?

- a. The last day for Oak Point University will be Friday, April 19th 2024.

4. How will this affect my degree progress?

- a. You will be given the opportunity to finish your degree at Lewis University. Lewis has committed to doing their best to keep you on your original degree completion timeline. Beginning with the Summer semester all classes will be offered at Lewis University.

5. What will my diploma say?

- a. Students scheduled to graduate at the completion of the Spring 2024 semester will receive a diploma from Oak Point University. Students who elect to participate in the teach-out option with Lewis University and





successfully complete their degree requirements in a future semester will receive a degree from Lewis University.

6. How will this closure affect my financial aid and scholarships?

- a. Beginning with the Summer 2024 semester, current Oak Point students who elect to participate in the teach-out option with Lewis University will have their financial aid awarded through Lewis under their policies and guidelines. Lewis is approved to offer all federal and state financial aid programs through the FAFSA application process. Oak Point funding sources will cease with the closure of the University.
- b. “In accordance with 34 C.F.R. § 685.214, you may qualify for a discharge of your federal student loans if you could not finish your program because of the Oak Point closure. The Department of Education offers detailed guidance on the eligibility requirements for loan discharge, the application procedure, and answers to common questions regarding Closed School Loan Discharges. For more information, please visit: <https://studentaid.gov/manage-loans/forgiveness-cancellation/closed-school#criteria>.”

7. Will tuition fees change for the remaining semesters?

- a. Your tuition and fees at Lewis University will not exceed your tuition and fee charges at Oak Point. In some cases, your overall cost of attendance may be lower.





8. How will the university assist with job placements and career advice during this period?

- a. All Oak Point University offices and services will be available until the end of the semester Friday, April 19th. Oak Point students will continue to have the opportunity to receive support from Lewis University career services.

9. Will the closure affect the accreditation of my degree?

- a. All degrees awarded by Oak Point University through the Spring 2024 semester, will retain their good standing and licensure eligibility.

10. What happens to the credits I have already earned?

- a. All credits earned at Oak Point University will be accepted by Lewis University.

11. How can I obtain my academic records and transcripts after the university closes?

- a. Lewis University has agreed to be the repository for all transcripts and historical records for Oak Point. After Oak Point University officially ceases operations, you will contact Lewis University whenever you need to request your transcript.

12. How will ongoing research projects be affected?

- a. Students engaged in ongoing research projects are encouraged to reach out to your faculty advisor for further information, it is the intention that the research continue under the Lewis University banner but details will need to be worked on.





13. Will faculty be available for academic advising during the transition?

- a. Yes, all current Oak Point faculty and staff will be available up until the last day Friday, April 19th.

14. Will the university's library resources still be accessible?

- a. The University's libraries and resources will be accessible to you up until Friday, April 19th.

15. Who can I contact for more specific questions or concerns?

- a. For specific questions please reach out to Info@Oakpoint.edu and we will do our best to answer your question

16. Will I have to purchase new scrubs/programmatic equipment?

- a. Lewis will work with each student to utilize all previously purchased items and minimize any additional needs.

17. How long will my Oak Point email remain active?

- a. Access to your current Oak Point technology resources (including email) will remain intact through the remainder of the Spring semester (April 19th 2024).

18. How can I learn more about Lewis University?

- a. You can learn more about Lewis University by visiting their website (www.lewisu.edu) There will be scheduled opportunities for students to meet with Lewis staff members during the month of April at the Oak Brook campuses of both Oak Point and Lewis. You can also email Ashley Skidmore Vice President, Enrollment Management skidmoa@lewisu.edu





19. If I want to take classes at the Lewis Romeoville location, can I?

- a. Courses offered by Lewis will either be at their Oak Brook location, online or in Romeoville. Other locations are also being considered. Every effort will be made to offer classes in a manner that are accessible to each Oak Point student.

20. Will there be an opportunity to speak with Lewis University staff and/or visit their campus?

- a. Yes, both Universities are committed to as smooth a transition as possible. We are finalizing plans for regular visits and touchpoints during the month of April. The first such meeting will be available for students at the Oak Brook campus of Oak Point on Tuesday, April 9th from 3pm to 6pm. More info to come.

