

MINUTES
Transfer Advisory Group
Fall 2015

September 29, 2015: 2:00PM-4:00PM (ST 107)

Transfer Advisory Group Purpose Statement: The Transfer Advisory Group is composed of administrators, faculty, staff, students and various university representatives collaborating in support of the transfer mission.

Transfer Advisory Group Goals:

- 1: Ensure easy access to clear, accurate, and cohesive transfer information.
 - 2: Increase transfer awareness and encourage transfer as an institutional responsibility.
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Present: Koji Uesugi, Marissa Iliscupidez, Ladylyn Dominguez, Natalie Aceves, Hortencia Cuevas, Patricia Gill, Mohammad Syal (Student rep), Jolene Sedita (UCR rep), Yolanda Haro, Olivia Chen (UCLA rep), Peter Boelman, David Payan, Phu Tran, Mark Lewis, Andy Chau (UCSB rep), Greg Aycock, Diane Dieckmeyer, Tricia Hodawanus (Recorder)

WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS: Dr. Koji Uesugi

APPROVAL OF MARCH 17, 2015 MEETING MINUTES:

- Motion to approve by: Peter Boelman
- Seconded by: Phu Tran
- Abstentions: 0
- Motion carried

STUDENT TRANSITION PROGRAMS AT UC:

- UCR Updates: Jolene Tuz-Sedita
 - 2 major name changes: Theatre changed to Theatre, Film, and Digital Productions and Woman’s Studies changed to Gender/Sexuality Studies
 - Sustainability studies – Sciences now built into Gender/Sexuality Studies
 - TAG deadline is tomorrow (Sept 30) Student contact begin in mid-November
 - Transfer Day: Friday, October 9 (Deadline to RSVP is Thurs 10/1)
 - Open House for Freshmen at the Transfer/Discover Day (Sat Nov 7)
 - Transfer Honor Society: Tau Sigma Requirement: 3.5 GPA in first quarter
 - Transfer club also available
 - Student parent organization (Returning/transfer students)
 - New student transfer commuter lounge just opened in Fall
 - New transfer opportunity program (TOP) – mentors/resources available
 - New HASS001 2 unit class (100+ seats for all majors) It focuses on workshops and services resources geared specifically towards to transfer students
 - Transfer pathways: more information coming out to clear up some student confusion

- UCLA Updates: Olivia Chen
 - 15, 000 transfer students applied (500 admitted) 50 from Norco 15 admitted.
 - Transfer pathways may make it easier for Norco students to attend UCLA
 - STOMP – Volunteer Student Transfer Outreach Mentor Program – mentorship and transfer opportunities. April conference (Tentative; 4th Friday) www.Admission.ucla.edu/stomp (campus tours/workshops/resources/etc)
 - Transfer conference – (formerly known as TAP) Friday Oct 23 8:30-3:30pm (Free) Workshops/resources/financial aid/tours (RSVP deadline is Oct 18)

- UC Santa Barbara: Andy Chau
 - “Transfer Course” now available
 - Transfer student specific apartment complex recently opened (\$650 per student/double occupancy) Capacity of approximately 1000-1500 students.
 - Engineering – recommend they do not finish their general ed before transfer to make sure they are on track while they are at UCSB
 - High Biology prep courses require 2.75 GPA
 - TAG 3.2 GPA (Performance arts, theatre, etc. - anything that require audition are not included)
 - Transfer day / open house (date April TBA)

Q&A/DISCUSSION

- Special consideration for ADT students? Consensus- It did not seem to help or hurt the student (Not required for admission)

ADT UPDATE: Marissa Iliscupidez

- August 31 was the deadline for ADT (Associate Degrees for Transfer)
- Currently verifying submitted ADT's (Oct 31 deadline)
- Business ADT was approved by the state (In catalog by January)
- History ADT approved by district (waiting for state approval)
- Biology ADT approved by district (waiting for state approval)
- Chemistry ADT approved by district (waiting for state approval)
- Admin of Justice ADT (Nick Franco is currently working with Alexis Gray)
- After all approvals Norco will have 17 ADT's!

Q&A/DISCUSSION

- Marissa Iliscupidez will provide more detailed data at Spring meeting
- Group discussed several instances on students changing their majors once they transfer, etc.
- New career counselor (Jethro Midgett) may help students to decide on the appropriate academic path to follow.
- REU – Research Education Undergraduates (Internships at various universities)
- Work on developing one place for all departments can place internship information (Transfer Center or Career Job Placement Center)

HONORS UPDATE: Marissa Iliscupidez

- 5 sections of Honors courses in Fall / 6 in Spring (New BIO1)
- Watch for Nor-all Honors updates. ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: Honors English 1A completed or eligible, 3.0GPA, and 9 units completed – see website for application (Counseling front counter can scan and email to Debbie McDowell if the student has computer problems or no access to printer/scanner)
- UCLA is auditing Norco College's Honors program. Report due by 10/15
- Norco has had 3 TAP scholars admitted to UCLA since 2011 (\$10,000 renewable scholarship)
- In Fall 2015 Norco filled all of their 5 Honors sections!

TRANSFER PATHWAY UPDATES: Natalie Aceves

- UC Transfer Pathway
 - Group viewed the new Transfer Pathways UC website. Under Admissions, Transfer
 - <http://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/transfer/major>
- CSU Associates Degree for Transfer – redirection
 - Various majors has been “redirected” from university to university, but there was no student notification
 - Some universities were not honoring the “redirected applications” so Students are still encouraged to apply directly to each individual university

Q&A/DISCUSSION

- Group discussed the various GPA requirements at different universities

STUDENT SUCCESS ACTIVITY UPDATE & TRANSFER DATA: Natalie Aceves

- **Goal 1; Obj. 1:** *Increase Student Achievement and Success; Improve transfer preparedness (complete 60 transferable units with a 2.0 GPA or higher).*
 - One activity was to target student who completed 30 transferable units and Math/Eng completed)
 - Number of students who met this criteria in April was: 1,929
 - One idea was to have a “celebration” reception for these students
 - Another idea is to focus on the students who have a lower GPA, to help them get their GPA up to 2.0.
 - Idea: Is there a way to take an “exit” survey on students who withdraw from all their classes? This would help us better identify common issues, problems that we might be able to address.
 - The new Title V grant may help in meeting this goal
- **Cal State Transfer Data Review**
 - CA.Gov webpage: Management Information Systems DataMart
- **UC Transfer Data Review**
 - Group reviewed the new enrollment at UC systems

ROUND TABLE:

- Transfer Center updates
 - Norco College transfer took place today (40 universities attended)
- Information flyers available (workshops, etc)

NEXT MEETING (Spring): Tuesday, March 29, 2016 2pm-4pm ST107

NC Mission: Norco College serves our students, our community, and its workforce by providing educational opportunities, celebrating diversity, and promoting collaboration. We encourage an inclusive, innovative approach to learning and the creative application of emerging technologies. We provide foundational skills and pathways to transfer, career and technical education, certificates and degrees.

NC institutional Goals:

- I.1: Improve transfer preparedness (completes 60 transferable units with a 2.0 GPA or higher).
- I.2: Improve transfer rate by over 10% over 5 years.