ADVISING COMMUNITY ON TRANSFER STUDENTS

Transfer Talks

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OVERVIEW

- Advising Community updates
- Spotlighting Current Practice and Research
- Questions and Answers
- Closing Statements and Reminders
Today’s Guest Speakers

Saroya Cicero, Julie Catanzarite, and Kaydee Fry from University of Michigan (Region 5)
“Everyone knows something that I don’t”: Improving the transfer student experience”

Michelle Munoz (Idaho State University) and Danielle Stimpson (College of Eastern Idaho) (Region 8)
Breaking Barriers and Building Bridges between Community Colleges and Universities to Empower Transfer Students.
“Everyone knows something that I don’t”

Improving the transfer student experience

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OBJECTIVES

- Identify common challenges affecting the transfer process
- Hear about our advising and programming efforts to minimize barriers in the transfer student experience
State of Michigan initiatives
UM College of LSA Strategic Goals
LSA = 18,000 students
Psychology is the largest dept. in LSA
Appx. 14% of our 1,300 declared majors are transfer students with many more who are not yet declared
Survey and focus group
CHALLENGES OF TRANSITION

- Academic or disability barriers and failure to find appropriate support
- Lack of personal connectedness
- Alignment of coursework between institutions
- Lack of “deep engagement”
- External responsibilities; Financial barriers
  - Lack of consistent communication between institutions (in particular community colleges)
- Underestimating the complexity/impact of the event
  - Self-doubt
  - Overwhelmed by institutional complexity
- Stigmatizing environment
  - Negative academic advising experiences
  - Inability to internalize successes (Imposter Syndrome)

Transfer Student Fair
- Departments + College Recruitment
- MI Comm/Tribal Colleges invited
- Agenda
  - Basics of LSA degree/admissions/FA
  - Social Science & Humanities majors
  - Visit 2 departments
- Future: include Natural Sciences

Advising
- Prospective Student Appointments
- Transfer Credit Evaluation

Community College Visits
- Grand Rapids CC
  - Invited Psych, SW, Gerontology Fair
  - Mixed Success
- Psi Beta, Mott CC
  - Contacted by their faculty advisor
  - 10 students
  - Agenda: 3 lab tours, basics of LSA degree, campus tour
  - Very positive feedback
Prospective Transfer Student Website

- Based on research that transfer students participate less often in high-impact activities, so we strategically highlight finding research, honors, study abroad, and service learning opportunities
- Other useful resources for transfer students

Resources

MAJOR AND COURSE INFORMATION
Find out the requirements to declare, how courses count towards each major on our courses per term charts. Follow a Curriculum Guide (optional), and look for complimentary majors/minors in our Beyond the Box feature.

TRANSFER CREDIT GUIDELINES
Departmental process for having transfer credit evaluated to count towards a Psychology or BCN major.
Did you know study abroad credit through the Center for Global and Intercultural Study (CGIS) counts as "in-residence?"

LSA RESOURCES FOR TRANSFER STUDENTS
Explore a liberal arts education through your current institution and LSA. Transfer credit guidelines, Community College transfer guides, and college resources specially designed for transfer students.

FINANCIAL AID
Find information about UM and LSA scholarships, child care resources for student-parents, and the UM Net Price Calculator. Do you qualify for free tuition? Check out the Go Blue Guarantee!
TRANSFER CREDIT POLICIES

Transfer Credit

The Department of Psychology allows students to take and transfer courses from other institutions to UM for prerequisite and major credit through the departmental approval process below. All students must meet our departmental residency requirement below. These guidelines are also to be used for out-of-residence (non-UM) study abroad credit.

Psychology Department Residency Requirement

Transfer courses may be applied toward your major, but at least 24 of your total 40 credits (includes pre-requisite and major credits) must be completed in residence (University of Michigan’s Department of Psychology AA Campus & U-M Study Abroad). Of those 24 credits, at least 12 credits must be in upper level courses (300+, letter graded) in Psychology.

How to Find & Transfer Courses

Prospective Students

- Step 1: Check the LSA Transfer Credit website
- Step 2: Determine how the desired course(s) will transfer
- Step 3: After completing the course

Website details transfer credit policies and steps for both current and prospective transfer students
Psychology Orientation
- Beginning of October
- Review majors, transfer credit policies, Resource Fair

LSA Winter Transfer Orientation
- In-person advising was too much for students
- Save seats in high-demand foundation courses for students
- Created resource flyer instead

Emails to “Interested” Students
- Email a list of resources to students a few weeks into the semester
CURRENT STUDENTS

Study Abroad In-residence Policy
- Allows students to earn in-residence credit while studying abroad through a UM program

Online Stats Tutorial
- Covers topics generally not taught in Intro Stats courses but are required by our faculty
- Prevents students from having to retake stats at UM

Social Events
- Connect students with Psych Dept Student Organizations
- Fall & Winter Semester Dinner
- Registration “Backpacking” Party

Transfer Student Dinner
FEBRUARY 13TH, 2019
5:00PM - 6:30PM
3RD FLOOR ATRIUM, EAST HALL

Come join the Psychology Department for a BBQ dinner and get to know your peers!
RSVP @ https://umich.ee/IopWkO
Q & A

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Come see our full presentation at the NACADA Region V Conference in Detroit!

We will examine case studies and hear stories from real students.


Empowering Transfer Students: Breaking barriers and building bridges between community colleges and universities

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Questions and Answers
Updates and Announcements

• National Conference- October 20- Oct 23 (Louisville, KY)
  • Call for proposals closes February 21st
• We will plan to host additional discussions (similar format to today) in the future. If you have ideas, please e-mail us.
• Please utilize our social media outlets
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