

# **TRANSFER 101: A FIRST-YEAR COUNSELOR'S GUIDE TO TRANSFER STUDENTS**

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**WHO ARE WE?**  
**WHO ARE YOU?**

# WHAT IS A TRANSFER STUDENT?

- **LATERAL TRANSFERS**
- **VERTICAL TRANSFERS**
- **SWIRLING TRANSFERS**
- **REVERSE TRANSFERS**

# WHY DO STUDENTS TRANSFER?

- **career goals**
- **finances**
- **limited majors**
- **residential experience**
- **previous high school applicant (whether admitted or denied)**
- **change of major**
- **distance from family**
- **finishing associate's degree**

# INTERPERSONAL INTERACTION

- **DETAILED QUESTIONS**
- **SOME LONG TERM PLANNERS**
- **SOME LAST-MINUTE URGENCY**
- **FREQUENTLY WALK-INS**
- **TRANSFER COUNSELING IS ADVISING!**

# WHAT'S THE PROCESS?

**simple: all transfer involves moving from one college to another:**

- **paperwork (application, transcripts)**
- **administrative process (gpa, sat/act, credits requirements)**
- **circumstances: academic process**
- **needs: full time vs. part time, evenings vs. days, on-line vs. on ground**



# WHAT DO YOU NEED TO KNOW?

- WHICH OF MY CLASSES WILL TRANSFER?
- WILL I NEED TO SEND MY SAT SCORES TO THE NEXT COLLEGE?
- WHAT TRANSFERS IF I WANT TO MAJOR IN...FILL IN THE BLANK?
- I WENT TO ANOTHER COLLEGE AND FLUNKED OUT BEFORE I CAME HERE.
  - CAN I STILL TRANSFER?
  - DO I HAVE TO SEND IN THAT TRANSCRIPT?

# MOST POPULAR QUESTIONS

**What do you hear?**



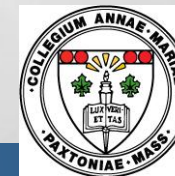
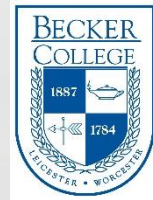
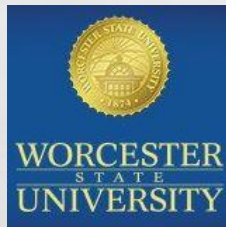
# TRANSFER FAIRS

- TRANSFER FAIRS TAKE PLACE EACH FALL AND SPRING SEMESTER
- REPRESENTATIVES FROM OVER 30 COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES PARTICIPATE
- STUDENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND THE FAIRS TO COLLECT INFORMATION AND ASK QUESTIONS ABOUT TRANSFER OPPORTUNITIES
- FAIR INFORMATION IS POSTED AT “THE Q” PORTAL, IN THE *OPEN DOOR* NEWSPAPER, AND ON FLYERS AROUND CAMPUS



# TRANSFER VISITS

EACH SEMESTER, TRANSFER ADMISSIONS REPRESENTATIVES FROM AREA COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES VISIT QCC TO MEET WITH STUDENTS AND HELP WITH TRANSFER PLANNING.



# HOW MANY CREDITS WILL TRANSFER?

- **QCC**

- [HTTPS://CONFUCIUS.QCC.MASS.EDU/ICS/STUDENT SERVICES/TRANSFER SERVICES COURSE EQUIVALENCIES.JNZ](https://confucius.qcc.mass.edu/ics/student_services/transfer_services/course_equivalencies.jnz)

- **SIMMONS**

- **TCE PROCESS**

# HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE ME TO GRADUATE?

- **TRANSFER CREDIT AUDIT FROM RECEIVING INSTITUTION**
- **MAY VARY BASED ON CHOICE OF DEGREE/MAJOR FROM THE 4-YEAR COLLEGE**

# DO I HAVE TO TAKE A STANDARDIZED TEST?

- **VARIES BY COLLEGE AND MAJOR**
- **QCC**
  - **RECOMMENDATION: STAY FOR AT LEAST 24 TRANSFERABLE CREDITS IN ORDER FOR TEST SCORES TO BE WAIVED AT MOST 4-YEAR COLLEGES**
- **SIMMONS**
  - **MOST MAJORS: TEST SCORES WAIVED WITH 32+ COMPLETED COLLEGE CREDITS OR IF STUDENT IS 24 OR OLDER**
  - **NURSING/PHYSICAL THERAPY: TEST SCORES REQUIRED EXCEPT FOR SECOND BACHELOR'S CANDIDATES**
  - **SAT/ACT, OR TEAS FOR NURSING/PT**



# TRANSFERRING TO A COMPETITIVE MAJOR

- **QCC:**

- **NURSING**
- **ENGINEERING**
- **BUSINESS**

- **SIMMONS:**

- **NURSING**
- **PHYSICAL THERAPY**
- **SOCIAL WORK**



# RESOURCES FOR TRANSFER STUDENTS

- **QCC**
  - **GROUP WORKSHOPS**
  - **1:1 ADVISING**
  - **TRANSFER FAIRS**
  - **COLLEGE VISITS**
- **SIMMONS**
  - **INFORMATION SESSIONS (GROUP AND 1:1)**
  - **PRELIMINARY CREDIT EVALUATIONS**

# COST AND SCHOLARSHIPS

- **QCC**
  - **PUBLIC VS PRIVATE**
- **SIMMONS**
  - **MERIT AID**
  - **PHI THETA KAPPA (BENEFITS)**
  - **NEED-BASED AID**

# ONBOARDING

- **SIMMONS**
  - **TRANSFER STUDENT ORIENTATION**
  - **TRANSFER ADVISORS FOR NURSING**
  - **“THE SIMMONS COURSES”**

# SPECIAL POPULATIONS: INTERNATIONAL

- **QCC**

- **RECOMMEND THEY TALK TO THE 4-YEAR COLLEGE**
- **TYPICALLY LITTLE OR NO AID**
- **INTERNATIONAL CREDIT EVALUATIONS**

- **SIMMONS**

- **HANDLED BY OUR INTERNATIONAL ADMISSION COUNSELOR, NOT BY OUR TRANSFER ADMISSION COUNSELOR**
- **MERIT AID AVAILABLE, NEED-BASED IS NOT**
- **INTERNATIONAL LICENSES**

# SPECIAL POPULATIONS: ADULTS

- **QCC**
  - **CULTIVATE KNOWLEDGE OF PROGRAMS THAT CATER TO ADULTS (ONLINE, EVENING, ETC)**
- **SIMMONS**
  - **DOROTHEA LYNDE DIX SCHOLARS PROGRAM**

# SPECIAL POPULATIONS: VETERANS

- **QCC**
  - **WORKS CLOSELY WITH VETERANS**
  - **VETERAN STUDENT WORKERS**
  - **VETERANS CENTER**
- **SIMMONS**
  - **OFFERS COLLEGE CREDIT FOR JOINT SERVICES TRANSCRIPT**
  - **VETERANS LOUNGE**
  - **YELLOW RIBBON SCHOOL**



# PERCENT OF POPULATION:

**UMass-Lowell:** (13,000)

Over 50% incoming

56%/44%

**Bryant University:** (3,300)

14% incoming

35%/65%

**Quinsigamond CC:** (8,000)

Transfer-out rate: 18%

**Bay Path University:** (2,000)

40% incoming

80%/18%

**New England College:** (2,700)

19% incoming

46%/55%

**Simmons College:** (1750)

30% incoming

25%/75%

# RESOURCES FOR TRANSFER COUNSELING

- **NETA ANNUAL CONFERENCE + 4 PD DAYS PER YEAR**
- **NEACAC TWO-YEAR COLLEGES COMMITTEE**
- **NACAC TRANSFER RESOURCE CENTER**
  - **TRANSFER SECTION COMING TO NEW SPGP!**
- **COMMON APPLICATION- MAJOR CHANGES COMING TO TRANSFER APP IN 2018**
- **RESEARCH (NISTS, CCRC, ETC)**
- **DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

# YOUR TURN!

- **NON-TRADITIONAL STUDENT**
- **HAS ASSOCIATE'S DEGREE FROM COMMUNITY COLLEGE**
- **COMMUTER**
- **GRADUATED FROM AN INTERNATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL**
- **VETERAN**
- **WANTS A DAY PROGRAM**
- **ENGLISH MAJOR**

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