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UNIVERSITY TRANSFER OFFICE

Transfer Issue Brief

Dear Transfer Staff,

We hope this finds you well. Within this issue brief and its attachments are several transfer updates including Guaranteed Admission agreement updates. As we transition into the summer, we would also like to highlight the transfer training courses in Canvas as an opportunity to stay up to date on transfer policy, methodology, and practice. Please consider taking or re-taking the course as a refresher. When selecting the canvas training course link to the right, please select the option that best matches your role with transfer and transfer credit at IU.

Updates

ICHE Transfer Guidance

On April 30, 2020, the Indiana Commission for Higher Education released a document titled "Guidance on Transfer and Applicability of Courses Completed in the 2020 Spring Term" related to COVID-19. Beginning on page three, grading scale information for students enrolled in the spring 2020 term at an Indiana public institution are included. This document, as well as additional resources, guidance, and FAQs can be found on the ICHE website here.

Annual Reviews

Each year, ICHE conducts reviews and updates to ensure information accuracy. The Core Transfer Library (CTL) approval forms were due to ICHE on Friday May 15, 2020. AP and CLEP equivalency reviews were also due. AP/CLEP updates were collected by UTO and sent to ICHE last week. Campuses reviewed the new Spanish with Writing Level I and II CLEP exam and many have provided equivalencies to ICHE.

UTO is also conducting a TSAP website review for some of the IU locations and will be connecting with campus TSAP representatives over the summer to complete this review. Thank you to those who have and will take part in these reviews. We understand they take time and want to let you know we appreciate all you do for transfer students.

UTO Website

The student facing portion of the UTO website recently received some updates and is now more student friendly. Thank you to the IU Studios team Eleanor Berman, Jamie Witt, Austin Lord, Kara Freeland, and Madeline Grdina, as well as those who attended website meetings or reviewed the website, for your hard work during this project. If there are errors in any of your campus' links, please email uto@iu.edu and we would be happy to update those immediately.

Guaranteed Admissions

Congratulations to IUPUI, IU Kokomo, IU East, and IU Northwest for signing guaranteed admissions agreements with Ivy Tech Community College (see published IUPUI press release here). Other IU locations are in progress.

American Council on Education

The UTO Director currently serves on the ACE National Task Force on Transfer Credit as an advisor. ACE issued a statement on acceptance of 8 transfer credit principles (See letter). The principles asks that institutions be swift and immediate in its decision and communication regarding transparency of accepted and not-accepted grades and credits. While implementing policies and practices of transfer credit and knowing equal does not mean equitable, institutions must recognize the holistic burden students face, situationally and behaviorally.

As always, please feel free to reach out with any transfer questions, comments, concerns, or suggestions. Thank you for all you do for transfer students.

Sincerely,

The University Transfer Office & University Student Services and Systems
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Resources

- **Canvas Training Course**
- **Guidance Document Manual**
- **Archived Issue Briefs**

Feature an article

- **Article Suggestion Guidelines and Form**

Questions?

If you have questions about this issue brief, if you believe you received it in error, or if you know someone else who should also receive it, please reach out to UTO.

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