



Transfer Issue Brief

Dear Transfer Staff,

In this issue brief, we feature an overview of the Transfer Action Caucus, a new UIRR transfer dashboard, spring Reverse Transfer timeline updates, and a summary of last month’s IU Transfer Symposium.

What’s New

Transfer Action Caucus

The University Transfer Office is leading a transfer action caucus, mapped over eight (8) weeks, designed to respond to the 21 standards of transfer friendliness adopted by IU. The framework of the caucus is **21by21** – addressing the 21 standards in 2021 with a focus on **Students + Credit**. Campuses were asked to respond to 21 transfer friendly standards by marking the standard as met, in-progress, or not-met. Standards were cast into four working themes: 1) *Infrastructure and handoffs*, 2) *data and tracking*, 3) *rules/systems & communications*, and 4) *policies*. Throughout the eight-week process, campus transfer representatives with support from UIRR, USSS, OOE and UTO meet weekly to discuss leaks in the pipeline, best practices, benchmarks, and next step decisions. To learn more or get answers to caucus related questions contact UTO at uto@iu.edu.

UIRR Transfer Report – new dashboard

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In the Know

2021 IU Transfer Symposium recap

The first virtual IU Transfer Symposium held February 24 brought together over 100 IU faculty, staff, and administration from all campuses, including IU online, to explore and discuss topics related to transfer student credit transparency. Dr. Wendy Kilgore, Director of Research at AACRAO, shared a high-level overview of the transfer credit landscape, focusing on focusing on “[stranded credit](#)” and how the [transfer student experiences and perceives transferring credit](#) between institutions and organizations. Kilgore also provided several recommendations for practice and policy including that may influence how credit is awarded and applied – many [recommendations](#) of which related to advising and technology.

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Transfer Data

- [UIRR Transfer Reports](#)

Resources

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Transfer Recognition Award Recipient

Since 2020, the UTO seeks to recognize a champion at IU who believes in best practices for transfer. An IU transfer champion is acknowledged for their work in three areas: transfer student success, transfer leadership, and impact of transfer work across the university and nationally. This year's transfer champion is Cathy Buckman. Cathy served as the IU South Bend Associate Vice Chancellor for Enrollment Management before retiring in December 2020. Cathy was recognized by her colleagues for her work in breaking down obstacles for transfer students and embodying service, professionalism, and vitality in higher education. A few of Cathy's achievements in transfer included: creating the [On-Track summer awards](#) to help retain 21st Century Scholars as well as writing and overseeing a grant to establish an [ABC program](#) at three IU campuses. Congratulations Cathy on your retirement and for your leadership in transfer initiatives.



Reverse Transfer

Eligible students interested in [Reverse Transfer](#) have until April 2 to opt in. On April 7, students who opt in will have their IU transcript sent from IU to their former institution, Ivy Tech or Vincennes, and the former institution will contact the student directly with next steps. IU does not charge a fee to participate in Reverse Transfer.

Professional Development

Below are resources and opportunities for transfer professional development.

- Inside Higher Education read – [To support today's transfer students, take a hard look at state policy](#)
- Institute for Higher Education Policy read – [Report: Innovative strategies to close postsecondary attainment gaps: Reclaiming earned degrees through reverse transfer \(Feb 2021\)](#)
- [ICHE 2021 Early College Credit Report](#)
- [H. Kent Weldon Conference for Higher Education](#) – April 9, 2021

Sincerely,
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