

# Transfer Advising Committee Meeting

Tuesday, Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> 2-3:30

## Members Present

Alisa Trotter (COB), Jessica Bendure (COE), Hillary Mayes (CHHS), Ross Hawkins (SDPA), Mandi Muse (CHPA), Jaime Ross (Outreach), Nora Cox (COAL)

## Members Absent

Jim Bellis (COA), Brian High (CNAS), Rebecca Neal (SDPA)

## Visitors

Joe Morris, Director of New Student & Family Programs

## CORE 42 update

1. CORE 42 continues to evolve based on what is happening at the state level.
2. There have been approximately 6 requests to change from CORE 42 to MSU gen ed and only one request to change from MSU gen ed to CORE 42.
3. CORE 42 continues to be challenging for transfer advisors due to frequent changes and applicability to individual students.

## OTC areas of interest

1. OTC is our community college partner and we want to ensure transfer advisors are respectful regarding academic quality.
2. Advisors will continue to advocate for students and do what is in the best interest regarding transferring from one institution to the other.
3. OTC is currently conducting an advising study and will move forward with best practices and recommendations once the study is complete.
  - a. The study is reviewing how many times students should be required to meet with an advisor, as well as the structure of advising (faculty, staff, combination).

## Workshop discussion

1. Committee agreed to offer a 3-hour "Advising Students with Transfer Credit" workshop in the spring 2019 semester (preferably in May).
  - a. Volunteers for planning the workshop include:
    - i. Ross Hawkins
    - ii. Jaime Ross
    - iii. Mandi Muse
    - iv. Jessica Bendure

- b. May also want to ask Nathan Hoff to assist with planning and facilitating workshop.
- c. Workshop will be designed with transfer advisors in mind, but also broad enough to help other advisors who work with students with transfer credit.
- d. Possible topics:
  - i. CORE 42
  - ii. Transfer Student panel
  - iii. Reevaluations
  - iv. MRT
  - v. Financial Aid
  - vi. Transfer Center
  - vii. OTC panel
  - viii. Admissions (Bart-statistics on transfer students)

#### Transfer Advising Committee Mission/Essential job responsibilities/Inventory

1. The committee has paused on this initiative as we continue to learn more about CORE 42 and the possible changes to the structure of transfer advising on campus.

#### Update from Joe Morris

1. Joe encouraged committee members to reach out to him regarding any changes or updates to the current online transfer orientation.
2. Discussed URSA and having a transfer specific URSA in fall 2019 (tentative)
  - a. Students would remain in Springfield and not include an overnight experience
  - b. Pilot with 50 students
3. Discussed possibility of in-person transfer orientation
  - a. Would begin as an optional program

#### Miscellaneous

1. Transfer advising committee members are encouraged to attend the annual MSU/OTC advisor meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019 from 1:30-3:30 p.m. in Glass Hall room 486.
  - a. Committee members will have a slide or two to cover any changes or information that would be beneficial for MSU/OTC advisors to know (Jaime Ross created a shared PowerPoint on One Drive).
2. Reverse Transfer concerns
  - a. Committee would like to see an online form for students to complete instead of emailing a general address.
  - b. Advisors would like to see a MRT column on the Advising Notes data block.
    - i. There is not a current method to know if a student is enrolled in MRT.
3. Spring 2019 meeting times (all meetings will be held in University Hall room 113)
  - a. Tuesday, Feb. 5<sup>th</sup> 2-3:30

- b. Tuesday, March 5<sup>th</sup> 2-3:30
- c. Tuesday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> 2-3:30
- d. Tuesday, May 7<sup>th</sup> 2-3:30