

Transfer Advising Committee Meeting

Wednesday, February 14th 2-3:30

Members Present

Jim Bellis (COA), Jessica Bendure (COE), Bethany Laws (COB), Hillary Mayes (CHHS), Ross Hawkins (SDPA)

Members Absent

Brian High (CNAS), Jaime Ross (Outreach), Nora Cox (COAL), Mandi Muse (CHPA)

Visitors

Rebecca Neal (SDPA)

CORE 42 legislation

1. This legislation will be adopted by all public universities and community colleges in Missouri.
2. The purpose of the legislation is to have a statewide general education to help students finish at a normal pace and not be penalized when transferring to another school with public institutions of Missouri.
3. The CORE 42 curriculum will primarily impact students transferring to MSU for spring 2019 and beyond. An email from Josh Smith about implementation was read during the meeting:
 - a. We will need to CORE 42 courses identified in the 2018-2019 undergraduate catalog for those students that are beginning at our institution and then later decide to transfer to another institution.
 - b. If a student requests to be on the CORE 42 in fall 2018 because the courses they took at the initial institution have MOTR numbers now and it would allow them better transferability of coursework then MSU (receiving institution) should allow the transfer student to choose CORE 42 because it serves in the best interest.
4. Admission is still working on making the attributes work to help advisors/students look at transcripts and see what is considered MOTR courses.
5. Hopeful that we can use the advising notes data block to show if a transfer student will use CORE 42 or MSU Gen Ed.
6. OTC is changing their general education to align with CORE 42.
7. Looking at a draft that was displayed CORE 42 will have the following credits:
 - a. 6 hrs Written Communication
 - b. 3 Oral Communication
 - c. 3 Mathematical Sciences

- d. 7 Natural Sciences (at least 2 disciplines, at least 1 lab course)
 - e. 9 Humanities and Fine Arts
 - f. 9 Social and Behavioral Sciences
8. More information will continue to be offered as the university learns more about how to implement CORE 42. To find out the latest information, subscribe to the General Education Blog. You can go to the General Education website to subscribe.

Information from NISTS (National Institute for the Study of Transfer Students)

1. Ross attended this conference last week in Atlanta, GA. PowerPoint is attached in the email.
2. Ross and Kelly presented at the conference on “Raising the Profile of Transfer Advising through Strategic Partnerships.”
 - a. The presentation showed the significance of having good external and internal partnerships with transfer students. They also explained how they used this process in detail at MSU.
 - b. Data shows: 2017-2300 students were transfer students at MSU. And even though transfer numbers have slightly declined they are still significant and important to our enrollment population.
3. Recruitment is still needed for transfer student and Ross encouraged the committee to do this whenever possible.
 - a. Jessica mentioned that they have started using Zoom as a recruiting tool at other institutions.
4. A transfer workshop to better understand the transfer process and the transfer student was suggested to do in spring 2019.
5. From the data shown in the presentation, April and August are the highest registration times for transfer students.
 - a. How can we make it less in August and more in April?
6. Ross found the following sessions to be most beneficial:
 - a. Session on Guaranteed Admission
 - i. How do we market this as well?
 - ii. Possible fee app waiver
 - b. Session on prospective students want to see an advisor before they are accepted.
 - i. Transfer friendly culture
 - c. Session on Transfer Centers
7. The sessions can be found on the NISTS website.

Committee Initiatives

1. Transfer advising mission statement and best practices or responsibilities (job descriptions)
2. Send this to Transfer Council and then to Dr. Einhellig for approval.
3. Have subcommittee to work on different areas:
 - a. Mission statement- Jaime Ross, Jessica Bendure
 - b. Job duties- Ross Hawkins, Jim Bellis, Rebecca Neal, Mandi Muse
 - c. Inventory-Hillary Mayes, Bethany Laws

Important Dates

1. Annual MSU/OTC advisor meeting
 - a. Wednesday, Feb. 28th from 9-10:30 a.m. at OTC (room location TBD)
2. CORE 42-Impact on Advising Students with Transfer Credit Advisor Forum
 - a. Thursday, March 8th from 12:30-1:30 in PSU, room 314