TRANSFER ADVISEMENT

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PURPOSE

- Refocusing how we deliver transfer advisement services and information during our academic advisement session.
- Educating BMCC students on what they need to know to be prepared to transfer and enhancing their **transfer awareness**.



TRANSFER TIMELINE

0-15

- Create a list of your various academic/career interest
- Meet with an advisor to start the development of an educational plan

16--30

- What is a "Best fit" school?
- Develop a list of 5-7 schools that interest you based in your goals, interest and values.

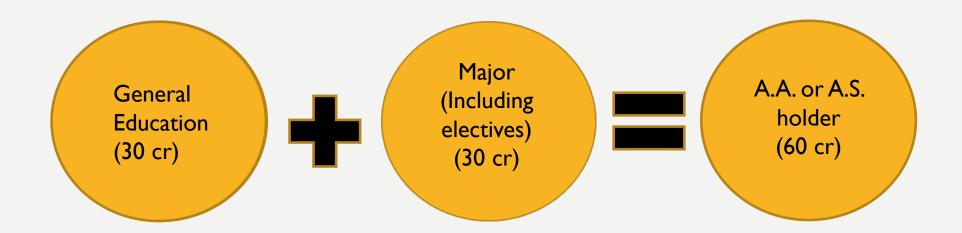
31-45

- Get your questions answered
- Finalize your list

45-60

- Submit application and required forms
- Check-In with advisor "Graduation Audit"

CUNY TRANSFER



Example:



GENERAL TRANSFER CREDIT POLICIES

- A grade of C or better is recommended.
- Senior colleges will usually accept up to 70 credits from a community college but that can vary.
- Transfer Credit Evaluation through CUNYFirst (not a guarantee).
- For health programs, science courses can expire, check admissions guidelines.
 - For example, BMCC's Nursing program, science courses should not be more than 5 years old.
- Forgiveness policy is only effective within CUNY
 - Cumulative GPA may be lower than it currently appears if transferring outside of CUNY

GATEWAY COURSES

• "Faculty committees have recently designated a minimum of three 'gateway' courses leading into several of CUNY's most popular majors. Students who anticipate pursuing one of these majors can take the designated courses and will be able to transfer them for major credit seamlessly between CUNY colleges that offer the major."



REALITY BASED PLANNING

- What major is the student interested in studying?
- What cumulative GPA does the students have? Which schools are close to the GPA?
- What schools are they interested in?
- How far can they commute?
- Do they want to live on campus?
- If they are considering a SUNY or a private school, they should be encouraged to apply for scholarships. Have they started scholarship research?
 - Refer students to BMCC scholarship resources

TRANSFER GPA

- For students who have attended a previous school, that GPA will be considered along with their BMCC GPA.
 - The weight given to each GPA depends on how many transfer credits accumulated and how recently.
 - For Example, if a student failed 15 credits at their last institution. Then transfer to BMCC, how many credits would they need to earn at BMCC to offset their previous GPA?



TRANSFER PROFILE 2018

CUNY FOUR-YEAR COLLEGE ADMISSION PROFILE: TRANSFER FALL 2018

Four-Year Colleges	Number of Accepted Students	Mean GPA	Mean Number of Credits Attempted* (used to calculate Mean GPA)
CUNY BA for Unique and Interdisciplinary Studies	271	3.21	71
Baruch College	1,971	3.39	57
Brooklyn College	2,465	2.95	59
The City College of New York	1,675	3.11	62
College of Staten Island	619	2.48	53
Hunter College	2,906	3.23	65
John Jay College of Criminal Justice	1,468	2.76	56
Lehman College	2,134	2.88	67
Medgar Evers College	400	2.31	61
New York City College of Technology	1,012	2.63	64
Queens College	2,087	2.93	63
CUNY School of Professional Studies	271	3.11	97
York College	767	2.82	71

^{*}Mean number of credits attempted is based on the total accumulation of all coursework at all colleges attended. This number does not reflect the number of credits that are transferred into a degree program.

TRANSFER RESOURCES AT BMCC

Articulation Agreements

- A written contract or a partnership between BMCC and a four-year college or university that contains agree upon courses or programs that will transfer over to that particular senior institution upon acceptance into the four year college.
 - Reviewing 2 + 2 agreements with student for college of interest.
 - Reviewing The Program Map attached to the articulation agreement.

• TRAC Program:

The TRAC (Transfer Review Application Connection) program is a collaboration between the Academic Advisement & Transfer Center and faculty members from various academic departments aimed at helping students prepare for transfer. The program assists BMCC students who plan to transfer to highly selective colleges and universities that are characterized by academic excellence. Eligibility requirements: Complete between 12 and 30 degree requirements & have a minimum cumulative BMCC GPA of 3.5.

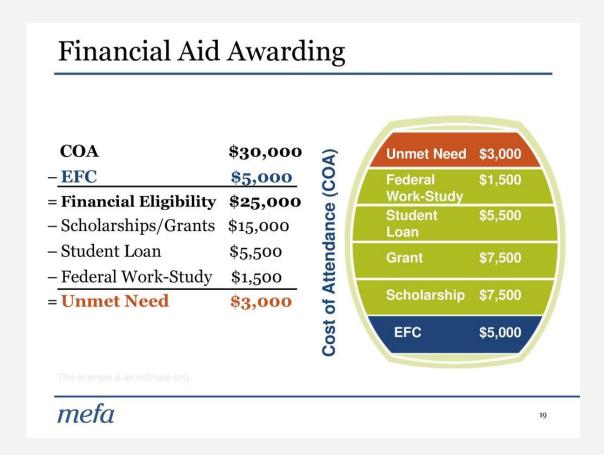
FINANCIAL AID

• Cost of Attendance – COA – is the estimated total amount of attending a specific school that includes, tuition, fees, books, etc.

Private ("Outside") Scholarships

Many companies, foundations, community organizations and clubs sponsor grants or scholarships.

College Board https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/schola
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Note: Figures shown are averages for four-year public colleges and their in-state, full-time students for the 2015-16 school year. Real amounts will vary.

- Net Price vs. Sticker Price
- Sticker Price
 - The total yearly cost of a college education is called its sticker price. This
 is the number that most schools list in their brochures
- Net Price
 - An estimate of the actual cost that a student and his family need to pay in a given year to cover education expenses for the student to attend a particular school. It is the tuition and fees minus grants, scholarships and education tax benefits you receive.
 - Does not include loans or work study
 - Your net price will be different for every college

WHAT SHOULD STUDENTS LEAVE WITH

- At the end of the transfer advisement session:
- The student should:
 - Have a list of schools to do further research on.
 - Be aware of Open houses and information sessions.
 - Have an intended major at target schools.
 - Have knowledge of articulation agreements.
 - How to view transfer credit in CUNYFirst, if interested in CUNY Colleges.
 - Know how to print an unofficial transcript.
 - Help with starting or completing the CUNY Transfer Application.

Advisors:

Document the session and what was discussed in the "Notes" section of Degree Works.

MORE QUESTIONS

Financial Aid Questions

- What percentage of graduates leave without debt?
- Are Transfer Scholarships available? If so, is there a separate application process?
- What is the current cost of attendance?
- What is the average percentage of need met?

Transfer Credit Questions

- Do most community college graduates enter with full junior standing?
- Is it possible to receive an official transfer credit evaluation prior to commitment? If so, what is the process?
- Are there any recommended or required gateway/foundation courses for my intended major?

QUESTIONS TO ASK

BEST Fit Questions

- What unique academic programs does the school offer?
- •What is the campus culture and environment like? / How would you characterize the students who attend this school?
- What type of support is offered to transfer students?
- What type of opportunities for internships, research and employment are available?
- Does the school have an active alumni network?
- Is housing guaranteed for transfer students?
- When is the next open house or information session?

Admissions Requirement Questions

- How selective is the school?
- What are the main criteria for considering transfer applicants?
- Are there specific admissions requirements for the major I am interested in?
- What is the college's accreditation status?
- Is there an admissions appeal process?

UNDERSTANDING THE RESOURCES

- CUNY Explore Academic Programs
 - http://www2.cuny.edu/admissions/undergraduate/explore/programs/
- SUNY Undergraduate Program Search
 - https://www.suny.edu/attend/find-a-suny-program/undergraduate/
- Expanded search (SUNY, CUNY, Private)
 - https://nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator/
 - https://collegescorecard.ed.gov/
- Common Application [Username: samplebmcc Password: Commonapp2018!]
 - https://apply.transfer.commonapp.org/applicant-ux/#/login
 - https://help.liaisonedu.com/The_Common_App_Help_Center
- CUNY Application
 - http://www2.cuny.edu/admissions/undergraduate/apply/
- SUNY Application [Email: <u>trac@bmcc.cuny.edu</u> Password: SUNYapp2018!]
 - https://www.suny.edu/applysuny/index.cfm
 - https://www.suny.edu/attend/apply-to-suny/