Everything you always wanted to know about transferring, but were afraid to ask!

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To Transfer or Not to Transfer...

• What is my “end goal”?  
  – Backward planning method
• What is the job market like?
• What can I afford?
• Do I want to stay at home or move away?
Types of Degrees at Schoolcraft

Transfer Degrees
- Associate in Arts
  - Business
  - Education
  - Liberal Arts
- Associate in Science
  - Health
- Associate in Engineering
- Associate of General Studies

Career Degrees
- Associate of Applied Science
  - Variety of programs
  - Designed to be class-to-work
Sample Transfer Degree Plan

Associate in Arts, Elementary Education

60 hours in liberal arts + lower level courses in teachable major or minor

Transfer for additional 60-70 hours in upper level courses & other requirements

Bachelor of Arts in Elementary Education
Sample Career Degree Plan

- **Associate in Applied Science, Culinary Arts**
- **Enter work force or transfer to college using an articulation agreement**
- **Bachelor of Science in Hospitality Management**
Transfer Talk

- **Transfer guide**
  - Located in counseling office, lists course requirements for a specific school/program
    - Course-to-course equivalency
    - Course-to-program
    - [www.schoolcraft.edu/transfer](http://www.schoolcraft.edu/transfer)

- **Articulation agreement**
  - Pairs specific SC associate career degrees with specific bachelors degrees

- **MACRAO**
  - [www.macrao.org](http://www.macrao.org)
  - 30 SH = lower level general education requirements for a bachelors degree
  - Some have provisions, limitations and exceptions
Examples of Transfer Guides

• Walsh College
  - Business, Accounting
  - Will accept up to 82 credit hours from SC

• University of Michigan
  - Literature, Science and Arts
  - Engineering
  - Nursing

• Madonna University
  - Wide variety of majors to choose from
Examples of Articulation Agreements

- Eastern Michigan University
  - AAS in Accounting to BBA in Business
  - Will accept up to 84 SC credits
- University of Detroit Mercy
  - AE, pre-engineering to BS in Civil Engineering
  - Will accept up to 90 SC credits
- Ferris State University
  - AAS in Criminal Justice to BS in Criminal Justice, on-site at Radcliff Center
MACRAO - Minimum Requirements

• ENG 101 & 102 – 6 credits
• Social Science – 8 credits
• Humanities – 8 credits
• Science (one must be a lab class) – 8 credits

See page 24 of the current catalog for a list of approved courses
## Sample MACRAO Plan

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* Classes must be from two different subject areas
Transfer Timeline: 0-15 credits

- Begin self-assessment and college investigation
  - Visit with counselor/academic advisor to discuss options
  - Enroll in HDS 110 “Career and Decision Making” class
  - Attend annual college transfer fair
  - Begin researching colleges
    - www.macrao.org
    - http://www.collegeboard.com
    - http://www.petersons.com/
Transfer Timeline: 16-30 credits

- Visit the Career & Transfer Center (MC 205)
  - Schedule appointment with career counselor
  - Pick up admission and transfer scholarship information
- Continue to work with a counselor or academic advisor
  - Plan courses according to transfer guide or articulation agreement
Transfer Timeline: 31-45 credits

• Narrow choices to no more than three schools
• Meet with transfer college representatives as they visit SC or schedule an appointment with representative (contacts available in the transfer center)
• Continue to meet with a counselor or academic advisor
Transfer Timeline: 46 + credits

• Review your degree audit with a counselor or academic advisor

• Apply to the colleges you are considering – apply early!
  – Mail official transcripts to school after application is submitted
  – www.macrao.org (many colleges have online applications)
Examples of College-Specific Requirements

• Eastern Michigan University
  - “MACRAO + 2”

• Michigan State University
  - Writing, Math & Integrative Studies (two sciences, social science & humanities)

• Wayne State University
  - Foreign language through third year for many degrees
What Doesn’t Transfer

• Grades below “C”
• Course numbers below 100 level
• Most applied science courses unless included in an articulation agreement

These are general transfer rules; see college policy/transfer guides for specific information
How To Transfer - “IAD”

- **Investigate**
  - College websites are a great start
  - Meet & speak with college representatives
    - Academic programs?
    - Scholarships?
    - Retention & graduation rates?
    - Campus life?
    - Tuition?
    - Admission requirements?
How To Transfer - “IAD”

• **Analyze**
  • What’s most important to YOU?
    - Name of college?
    - Transfer of credit?
    - Cost?
    - Speed in completing?
    - Location?

• **Decide**
  • Apply as early as possible
  • Send official transcripts– request in admissions and enrollment office
  • High school transcripts may be required
What If...

- What if I change my major?
- What if I change schools?
- What if I don’t get accepted?
SC Resources

• Counseling office
  – Schedule an appointment with a counselor
  – Walk-in to meet with an academic advisor

• Career and Transfer Center
  – Schedule an appointment with a career counselor
  – Pick up information for many different schools
  – www.schoolcraft.edu/transfer
SC Resources

- Learning assistance center
  - Faculty facilitators
  - Self-assessment tools ([http://www.schoolcraft.edu/lac/surveys.asp](http://www.schoolcraft.edu/lac/surveys.asp))
  - Tutoring
  - University Bound
  - Study tips & practice tests ([http://www.schoolcraft.edu/lac/](http://www.schoolcraft.edu/lac/))