

FEATHER RIVER COLLEGE

Transfer Plan

2017 - 2018

Services Provided to Students:

Transfer is a college wide effort supported by Student Services including Academic Advising/Counseling, EOPS Counseling, TRiO Student Support Services, and Athletics. Advisors and counselors routinely discuss the similarities and differences between AA/AS requirements and transfer requirements. A Student Education Plan and major advising worksheets provide a framework for meeting the degree requirements and preparing to transfer to California State University (CSU), University of California (UC), and University of Nevada, Reno (UNR) for every major. Faculty members work with the Articulation Officer to assure that courses in their major meet transfer requirements, and coaches work with the Academic/Athletic Advisor to facilitate the transfer of student-athletes to the university or college of their choice. Advisors/counselors also work closely with faculty members, the Articulation Officer, and advisors/counselors from four-year colleges to develop a Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG) and address course articulation that is not in ASSIST. All students are encouraged to meet with their advisor/counselor each term to update their Student Education Plan (SEP). SEPs are individualized based on the student's goals, the college the student intends on transferring to, and the specific major they plan to pursue. Students must have a SEP on file in order to receive priority registration.

Feather River College currently offers twelve Associate Degrees for Transfer (ADT) – also known as “the degree with a guarantee into the CSU system”. Students are informed of this option and encouraged to complete an ADT if we offer their major and they are planning to attend a CSU. Students who are planning to attend a UC are encouraged to complete a TAG to guarantee admission into their major (if not impacted). If students plan to transfer to a school that is not a CSU, UC, or UNR, they work closely with their advisor/counselor to identify the lower division general education and major requirements and then plan their coursework at FRC to align with the transferring institution. All students are able to receive assistance with the transfer application. When necessary, students are encouraged to apply to more than one institution.

Advisors and counselors attend conferences to stay abreast of transfer admission updates for CSU, UC and UNR. Students, faculty, staff, and parents can also quickly and easily use the ASSIST website (www.assist.org) to get detailed information about FRC course fulfillment in the CSU and UC systems. ASSIST indicates which courses satisfy general transfer credits, general education “distribution” requirements, and which courses articulate (count as comparable courses) for specific programs across the three systems. Greg McCarthy took over as the Articulation Officer in spring 2017. As the Transfer Center Director, he is able to identify gaps in articulation at the institutions where FRC students frequently transfer. He serves as a liaison between faculty and submits the courses to ASSIST. In addition, MOU's are starting to be developed with other CCC's who offer Associate's degrees in Agriculture.

The “CSU Breadth and IGETC” General Education pattern reference sheets and checklists are updated yearly. Copies are available in the FRC Catalog, in the Counseling /Advising Offices and on the website. In addition, Advisors/Counselors access online catalogs to help students determine the requirements necessary for baccalaureate completion. The center has a designated “Transfer Info” bulletin board to promote transfer events and information. FRC Social Media, the FRC website and the FRC App are also used to promote events.

Transfer Activities for Fall 2017

1. College, Career, and Transfer Fair was held September 12th. Vendors included 19 colleges and 58 local career and service representatives including 9 from FRC. Approximately 275 FRC students attended some portion of the Fair, in addition to the college and career reps there is a transfer workshop and motivational speaker.

2. Workshops promoting transfer will be provided including “Completing your Transfer Application” and “Writing your Personal Statement.”
3. Individual assistance is offered throughout the year through 1:1 academic advising. In 2016-17 the Counseling and Advising staff had approximately 448 appointments with students to discuss transfer and/or have assist students with filling out transfer applications.
4. Field trips have been planned to California State University, Chico; California State University, Sacramento, University of Nevada, Reno and University of California, Davis.
5. On-Site Admissions will be available on campus from California State University, Chico and Humboldt State University.



Transfer Activities for Spring 2018

Due to the impaction of many majors at most CSU and UC campuses, we do not anticipate that all campuses will be accepting students during the spring semester. However, we will continue to offer workshops and individual assistance about the transfer process. We assume the Academy of Art University located in San Francisco, Grand Canyon University located in Phoenix and the Fashion Institute for Design and Merchandising with various locations, and CSU Chico representing an online degree in Social Work will come to campus to talk about their transfer process to prospective students. Also, the University of Nevada, Reno will be on campus for an application review day. A transfer trip to Southern Oregon University will likely be offered in the spring as well.

Special Services for Underrepresented Students

Services for EOPS, CARE, CalWORKS, DSPS, TRiO and Equity populations (students identified as disproportionately impacted in the college's research) are highly integrated with the services of the Transfer Center due primarily to the small size of the campus and close proximity of all services.

Facilities and Staffing

The Transfer Center is part of the Counseling/Advising Center which is located in the Student Services Building. The staff include the Director of Student Success and Support Programs, the EOPS Counselor and the Student Success and Support Program Counselor (part time), the Articulation Coordinator/Advisor, the Recruiter/Academic Advisor, the Academic Support Specialist, the Program Staff Specialist, and student assistants. In close proximity to the Center is the TRiO/SSS Advising Center who staffs a Director, full time Advisor, and part-time Advisor, and the Financial Aid and Admissions and Records office where the CalWORKS Coordinator is also located. All staff either report to the Director of Student Success and Support Program and/or to the Chief Student Services Officer.

Advisory Committee

Information related to transfer and articulation are discussed at monthly Student Services Council meetings which includes all Student Services managers, the Chief Instructional Officer, and faculty. The Advising Task Force meets monthly and includes all staff officially designated as advisors or counselors, the Registrar, the Chief Instructional Officer and the Chief Student Services Officer. Information about transfer events as well as curriculum updates are shared. Program leaders are invited to the Advising Task Force meetings to share updates about their program as well.

Evaluation and Reporting

The annual Transfer Plan was prepared by Greg McCarthy, Articulation Coordinator/Advisor, in conjunction with Carlie McCarthy, Chief Student Services Officer. The transfer report will be compiled along with the articulation report and submitted to the Chancellor's Office by October 31st.

Period	Transfer Rate 7 Years to Transfer	
	FRC	Statewide
2009-2010	51%	44%
2008-2009	40%	41%
2007-2008	45%	44%
2006-2007	42%	46%
2005-2006	52%	46%
2004-2005	56%	46%
2003-2004	53%	46%
2002-2003	52%	45%
2001-2002	45%	45%

This chart shows a comparison of FRC's transfer rate to the statewide average. The cohorts are first-time College students with a minimum of 12 units earned who attempted a transfer level math or English course. The outcome is transfer to a four-year institution within a given time period subsequent to initial enrollment. A data match with the National Student Clearinghouse, UC, and CSU provided information on the enrollment of former California Community College students at public and private four-year transfer institutions within the United States.

Source: California Community College Chancellor's Office Datamart

Current Transfer Trends

Below is a chart from the California State University (CSU) website that compares California Community Colleges that are similar in size and geographic location. Over the last five years, Feather River College has transferred either the most or the second most students to the CSU system.

Institution Name	2012-2013	2013-2014	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017	Grand Total
College of the Siskiyous	31	36	21	25	23	136
Feather River Community College	34	43	44	35	25	181
Lake Tahoe Community College	40	38	40	42	43	203
Lassen College	26	18	20	19	22	105
Grand Total	131	135	125	121	113	625

Below is a chart from the California Community Colleges Chancellor's office showing a transfer volume summary report to In-State Private and Out-of-State institutions. We have seen an increase in both numbers and have transferred 341 students in the last five years.

California Community Colleges Chancellor's ARCC Transfer Volume Summary Report					
	2012-2013	2013-2014	2014-2015	2015-2016	Total
Feather River Total	78	82	86	95	341
In-State-Private (ISP)	5	8	12	15	40
Out-of-State (OOS)	73	74	74	80	301
Lake Tahoe Total	52	51	39	43	185
In-State-Private (ISP)	14	8	9	5	36
Out-of-State (OOS)	38	43	30	38	149
Lassen Total	75	78	71	47	271
In-State-Private (ISP)	14	18	7	8	47
Out-of-State (OOS)	61	60	64	39	224
Siskiyous Total	106	123	105	98	432
In-State-Private (ISP)	20	17	19	18	74
Out-of-State (OOS)	86	106	86	80	358

Below is a chart from the Transfer Recruitment Coordinator at the University of Nevada, Reno. We have transferred approximately 113 students in the last four and a half years.

	2013-14	2014-15	2015-2016	2016-17	Fall 2017	Total
UNR	25	20	23	25	20	113

Student-Athlete Transfers (2017 Graduates) – Not a complete list

Lipscomb University	Penn State University
University of Massachusetts – Amherst	Concordia University – Portland, OR
Coker University	Delta State University
St. Mary's College	Holy Names University
Central Arkansas University	Pacific University
Western Kentucky University	University Hawaii-Hilo
Austin Peay University	Eastern New Mexico University