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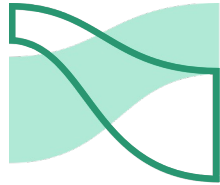
2758 - Revamping a Statewide Articulation System in the Deep South

Credits and Degree Pathways, Partnerships and Collaboration

Nearly five years in the making, this session tells the story of how one state in the Deep South revised and rebranded its statewide transfer credit articulation system through a multi-institution partnership. The session will include a demo of the newly designed system website, as well as lessons learned while overhauling the system. Session attendees will take away with them ideas for cultivating inter-institutional partnerships to promote seamless transfer within their own states.

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We save students credits, time, and money.

Since its creation in 1994, the *Articulation and General Studies Committee* (AGSC) has fought to save students credits, time, and money. As a result of our efforts, when Alabama students transfer from a community college to a public four-year university, they can be rest assured that their coursework will accompany them.

At the community college level, the AGSC helped implement and maintain a common course numbering system. It audits the course curricula to ensure that each course carries the same weight, no matter where a student takes it.

At the university level, the AGSC has overseen the *Statewide Transfer and Articulation Reporting System* (STARS). This online system lets students preview how their credits will transfer for a target major and university. By submitting an official “transfer guide,” they can enter into a legally binding agreement with the university to hold it to its word.




Since 1998, STARS has provided...

1.5m to 0.9m
TRANSFER GUIDES STUDENTS

We've come a long way but there's plenty still to do.

- ★ STARS was cutting edge when it was released, but it's due for an upgrade. Today's web applications are much more interactive and easily extensible than those of yesteryear.
- ★ In addition to common course numbers, the AGSC is working toward shared requirements between related majors. This will simplify the college exploration process.
- ★ Advisors are overextended. They ensure that students fulfill their academic requirements, but haven't the time to lay out their career opportunities.

Meet our new online system.



STUDENTS
Get your transfer guide or explore pathways

COUNSELORS
Learn how to advise using transfer guides

ADMINISTRATORS
Submit your institution's courses & majors for approval

START HERE!


Get the guide

Undertake your first two years of university knowing all your credits will transfer

← →


- **Step 1**
Select the academic pathway that most appeals to you.
- **Step 2**
Find a university with a relevant major.
- **Step 3**
Execute a transfer guide to guarantee your credit transfer.

Business




7 MAJORS

Human Services & Consumer Sciences



3 MAJORS

Science, Technology & Engineering



6 MAJORS

Business

The Business field prepares students to work in a wide variety of professional careers related to business management, which may involve planning, oversight, and

POTENTIAL CAREERS

- _ Accountant
- _ Business operation specialist
- _ Meeting, convention, and event planner

SAMPLE MAJORS

- _ Hospitality management
- _ Management
- _ Business administration
- _ Accounting

“STARS has created the pathway to a baccalaureate degree for thousands of two year college students. In fact, STARS continues to be one of the best investments in higher education in Alabama!”

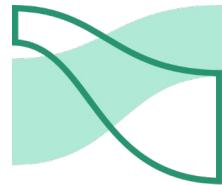
— Jack Hawkins, Troy University
Chancellor

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