

**NISTS 2023**

# BE A CONNECTOR FOR TRANSFER STUDENT SUCCESS

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*Educational Session*

## **2772 - Advising Students Before They're Your Student: The Advantage of Prospective Advising**

Transition Programs and Supports, Partnerships and Collaboration

Explore a unique program for advising prospective students. Learn the benefits and advantages of having advisors specifically for transfer students before they've applied for Admission. Gain ideas of implementing a new resource for students that you can take back to your university that will help students know what credits they need and save your Admissions/Advising team's valuable time.

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# Advising Students Before They're Your Student

## The Advantage of Prospective Advising



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**In the Room**

**Advisors?**  
**Admissions?**  
**Recruiters?**

# Today's Goals

- Facilitate new ideas
- Identify hurdles
- Open discussion/  
brainstorming

# Who We Are

## Transfer Advising Program

- What is TAP
- Our history
- What student populations we service



# UH by the Numbers

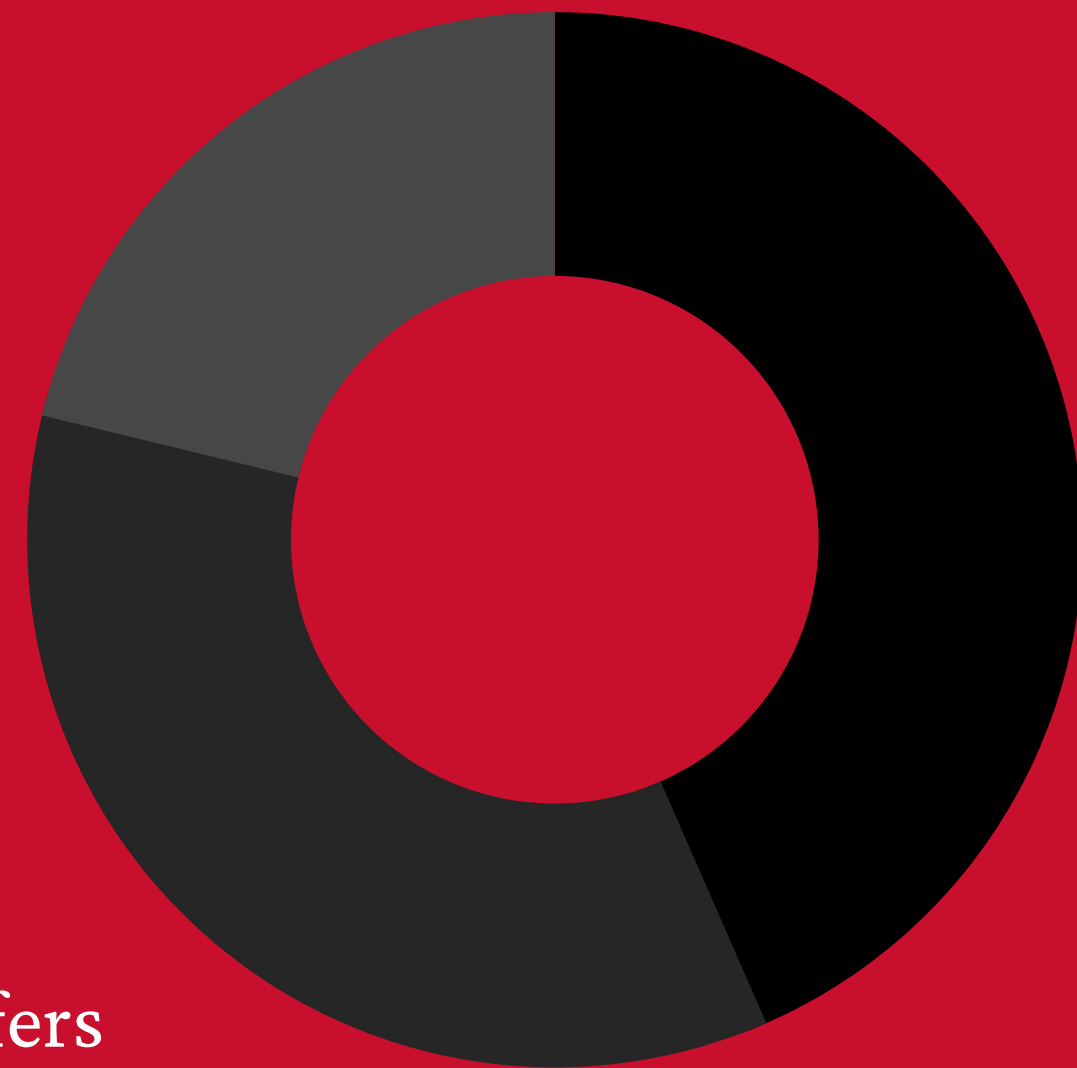
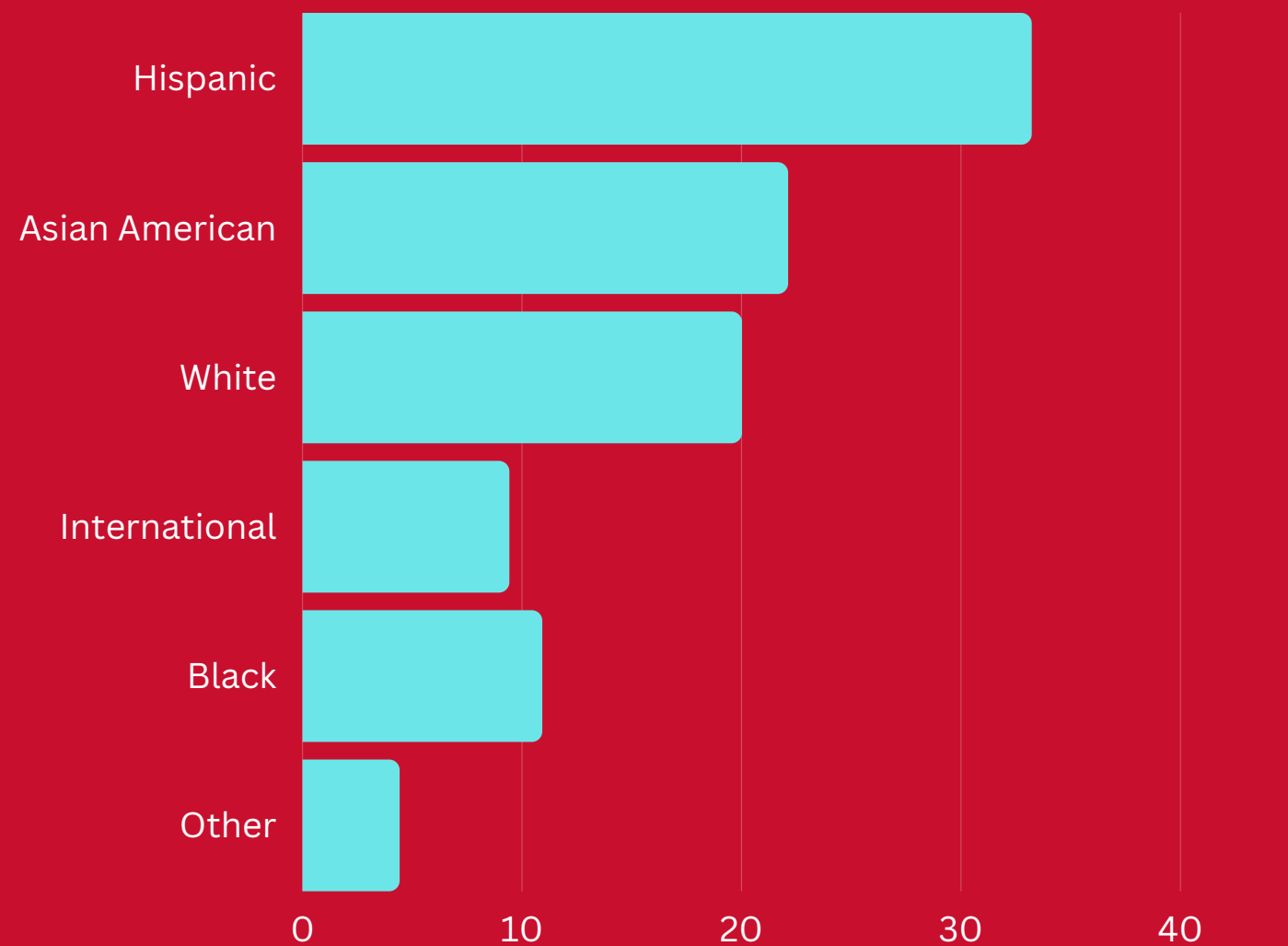


Total Enrollment: 46,690

Undergraduate: 37,282

Grad/Special Programs

21.2%



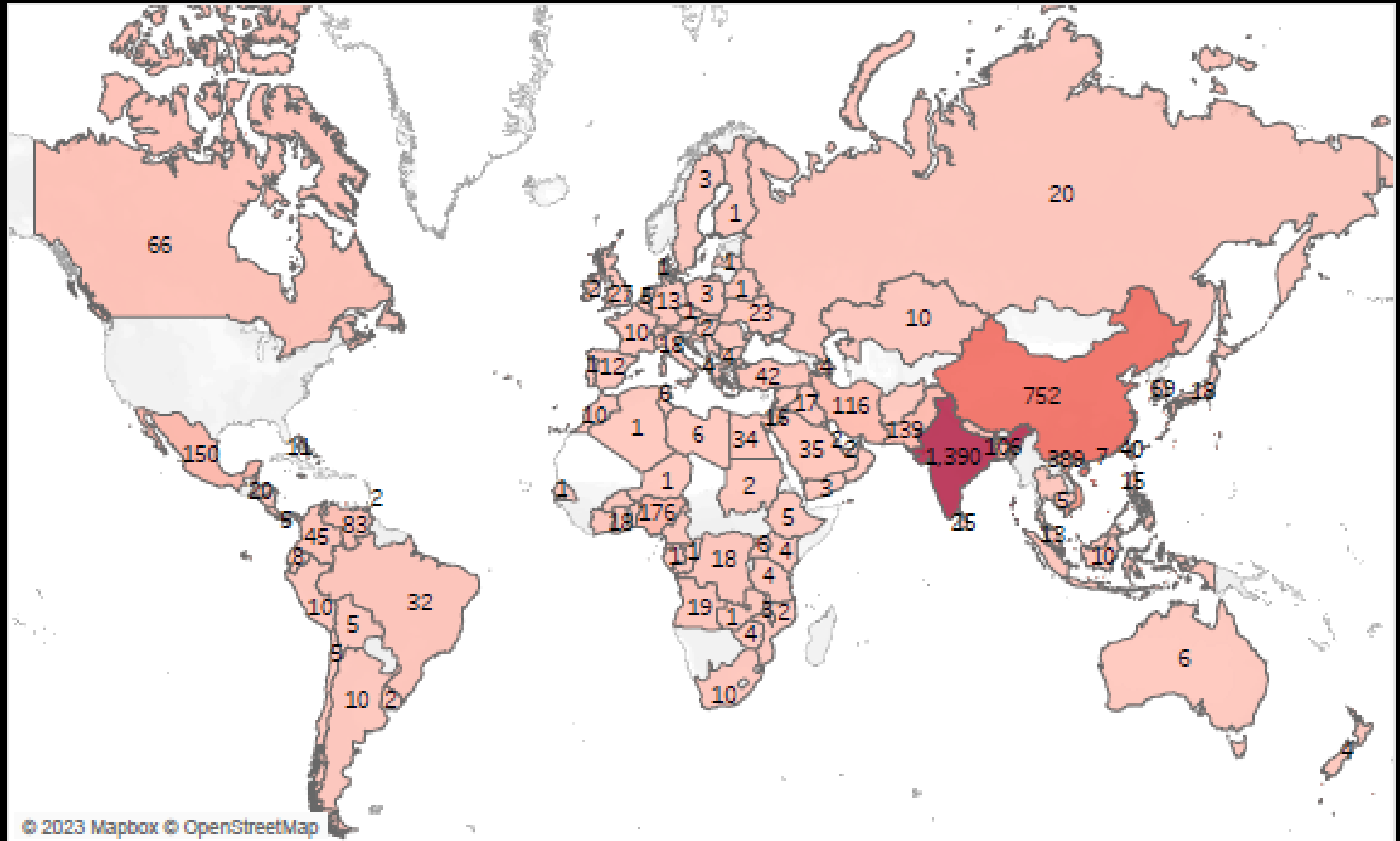
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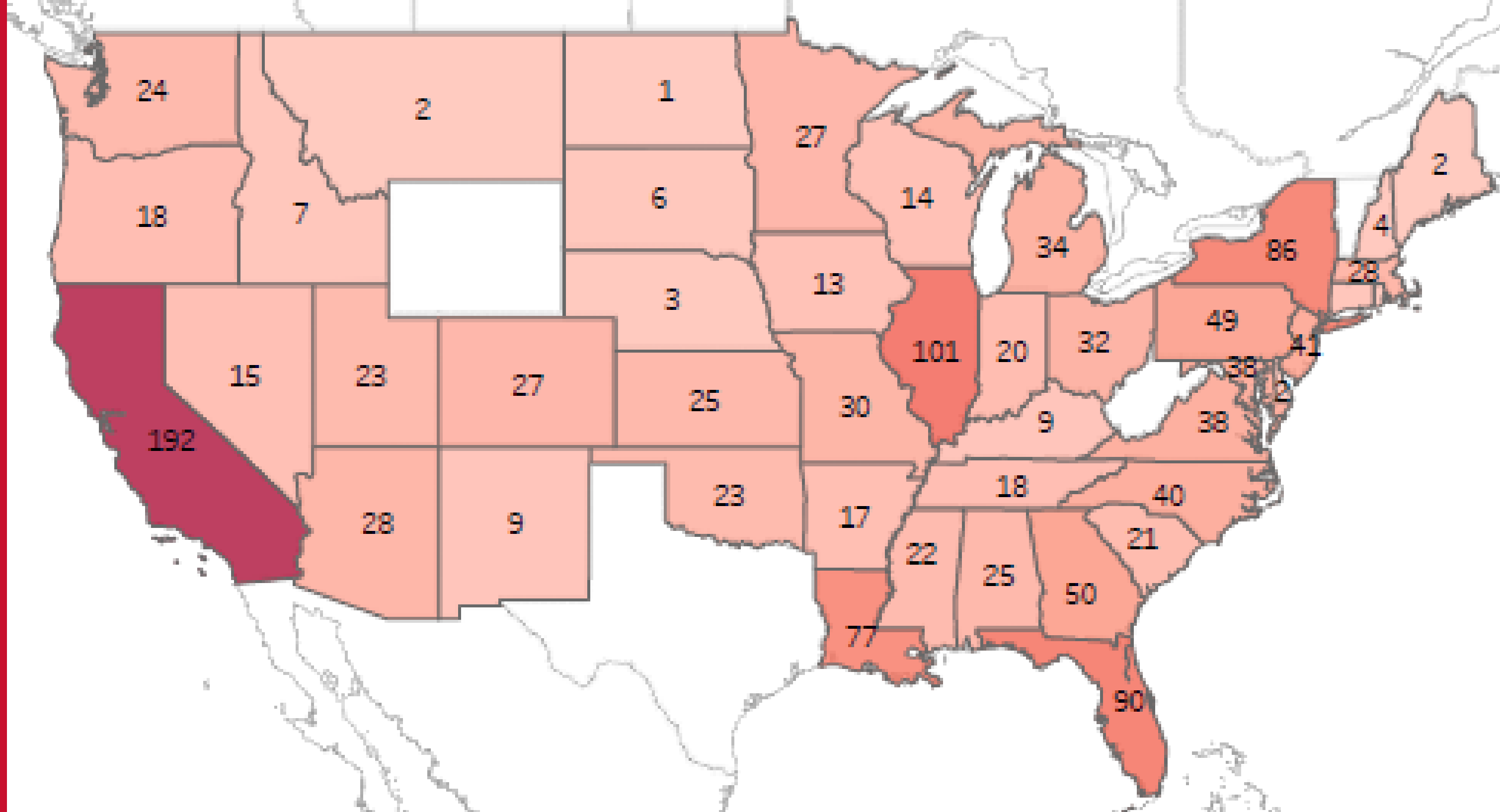
Transfers

35.4%

# Student Enrollment by Country

1. India: 1,390
2. China: 752
3. Viet Nam: 389
4. Nigeria: 176
5. Mexico: 150
6. Pakistan: 139
7. Iran: 116
8. Bangladesh: 106
9. Venezuela: 83
10. Republic of Korea: 69





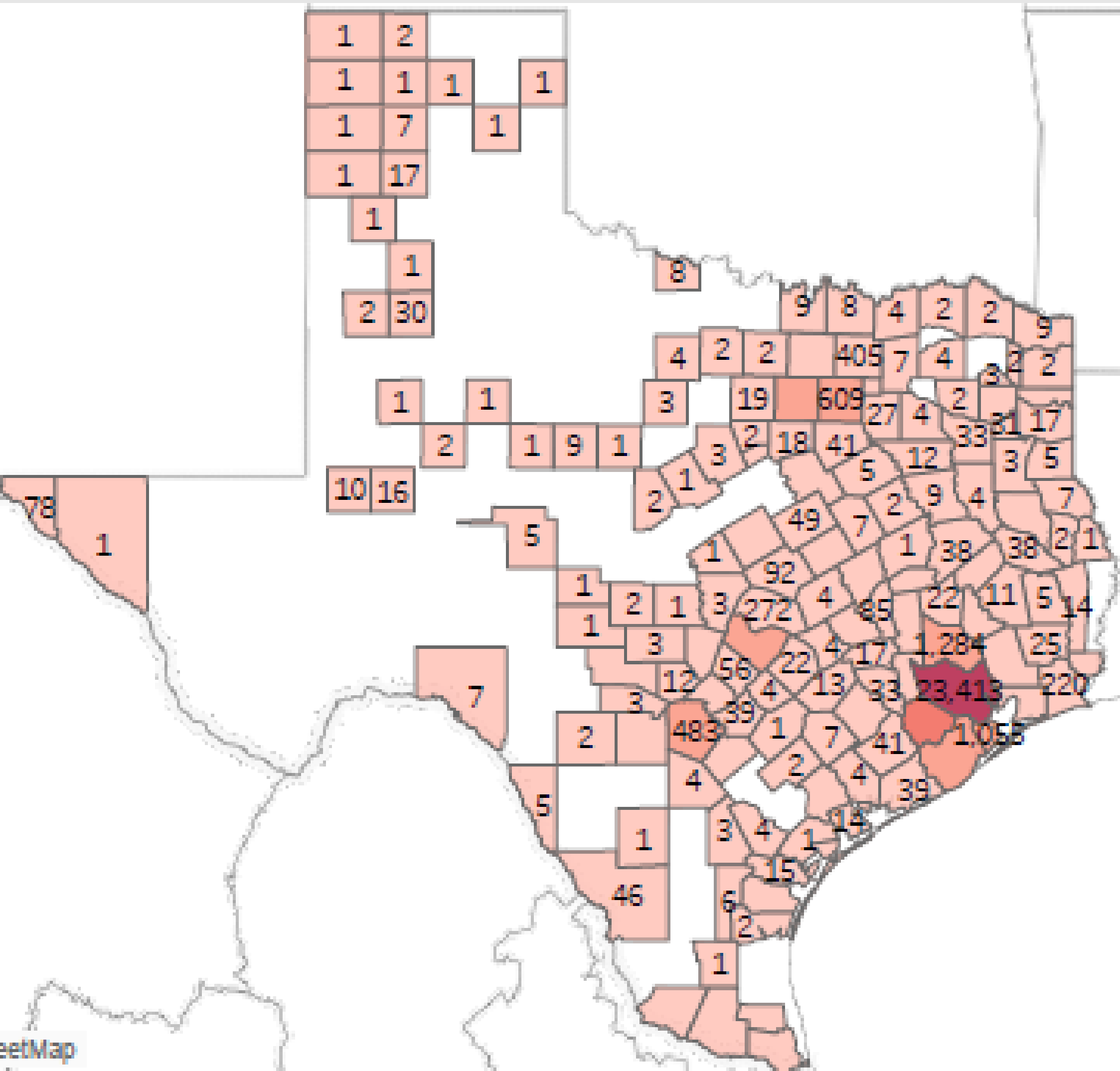
## Student Enrollment by United States

1. California: 192  
2. Illinois: 101  
3. Florida: 90  
4. New York: 86

5. Louisiana: 77  
6. Georgia: 50  
7. Pennsylvania: 49  
8. New Jersey: 41

9. North Carolina: 40  
10. Maryland: 38





# Student Enrollment by Texas Cities

Houston area: 35,693

Dallas/Forth Worth area: 1,860

Austin area: 880

San Antonio area: 590



# Houston-Area Community College Population

100,000

75,000

50,000

25,000

0

Lone Star

HCC

SJCC

Other (5)

80,590

45,450

30,595

25,490

Total: 182,195



- Admissions
- On-Campus major advisors
- Colleges
- Orientation Team

# Campus Partners



# Day-to-Day

- Unofficial transcript evaluation
- General GPA calculations
- Admission requirements
- Appointments/Walk-Ins/Emails & Phone calls

# Resources

- Transfer Equivalency Guides
- Academic Maps (degree plans)
- Texas Common Course Numbering System
- Transfer Credit Estimator
- Credit by Exam Brochure

**Engineering**  
*Cullen College of Engineering*

I. CORE REQUIREMENTS (41-44 hours)\*

| Course Name   | Hours | TCCNS                    | UH   |
|---|-------|--------------------------|--|
| <b>Communication (6 hours)</b>  |       |                          |  |
| English Composition I   | 3     | ENGL 1301                | ENGL 1301                                  |
| English Composition II  | 3     | ENGL 1302                | ENGL 1302                                  |
| <b>Mathematics (8 hours)</b>  |       |                          |  |
| Calculus I  | 4     | MATH 2413                | MATH 2413                                  |
| Calculus II   | 4     | MATH 2414                | MATH 2414                                  |
| <b>Life &amp; Physical Sciences (6 hours)</b>   |       |                          |  |
| University Physics I  | 3     | PHYS 2325 <b>or</b> 2425 | PHYS 2325 <b>or</b> 2325/2125 <sup>1</sup> |
| University Physics II   | 3     | PHYS 2326 <b>or</b> 2426 | PHYS 2326 <b>or</b> 2326/2126 <sup>1</sup> |
| <b>Creative Arts (3 hours)</b>  |       |                          |  |
| Choose <b>one</b> course from your current college's core approved list.                  |       |                          |  |
| <b>Language, Philosophy, &amp; Culture (3 hours)</b>                                      |       |                          |  |
| Choose <b>one</b> course from your current college's core approved list.                  |       |                          |  |
| <b>Social &amp; Behavioral Sciences (3 hours)<sup>2</sup></b>                             |       |                          |  |
| Choose <b>one</b> course from your current college's core approved list.                  |       |                          |  |
| <b>American History (6 Hours)</b>   |       |                          |  |
| United States History I   | 3     | HIST 1301                | HIST 1301                                  |
| United States History II  | 3     | HIST 1302                | HIST 1302                                  |
| <b>Government/Political Sciences (6 hours)</b>  |       |                          |  |
| Federal Government  | 3     | GOVT 2305                | GOVT 2305                                  |
| Texas Government  | 3     | GOVT 2306                | GOVT 2306                                  |
| <b>Writing in the Disciplines (3 hours)<sup>3</sup></b>                                   |       |                          |  |
| <b>Houston Community College, Lone Star College, and San Jacinto College <u>ONLY</u>:</b> |       |                          |  |
| Technical & Business Writing  | 3     | ENGL 2311                | ENGI 2304                                  |

**Transfer  
Guide**

# TAP Department by the Numbers

## Overall Numbers: 2009-2023

Appointments: 43,010

Add. Info Requests: 297,612

## Successful Transfers

11,867

## Graduated

8,418 (71% Graduation Rate)

## Spring 2021-Spring 2023

Appointments: 5,329

Add. Info Requests: 24,251

## Successful Transfers

1,964



# Gathering Data

## University of Houston Transfer Advising Program

### SELECT A SERVICE

Hobby School of Public Affairs

B.A. Public Policy and B.S. Public Policy [Read more](#)

45 minutes

College of Arts

School of Art, School of Music, School of Th... [Read more](#)

30 minutes

College of Business

Accounting, Entrepreneurship, Finance, Man... [Read more](#)

30 minutes

College of Education

Teaching and Learning, Health, Human Res... [Read more](#)

30 minutes

### ADD YOUR DETAILS

Name

Name

Email

Email

Phone number

Select country code

Add your phone number

Notes (optional)

Add any special requests

### PROVIDE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

First and Last Name

Add your answer here

Zip Code

Add your answer here

Date of Birth (MM/DD/YY)

Add your answer here

What is your intended major?

Mechanical Engineering Technology

What college/university are you transferring from?

Add your answer here

Are you a U.S. transfer or an International transfer?




--select an option--



# Extracting Data



UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON

NAVIGATE   

Quick Search

## Search

### New Search

Saved Searches ▾

Keywords (First Name, Last Name, E-mail, Student ID)?

Type?

Student Information First Name, Last Name, Student ID, Category, Tag, Gender, Race or Ethnicity, Student List

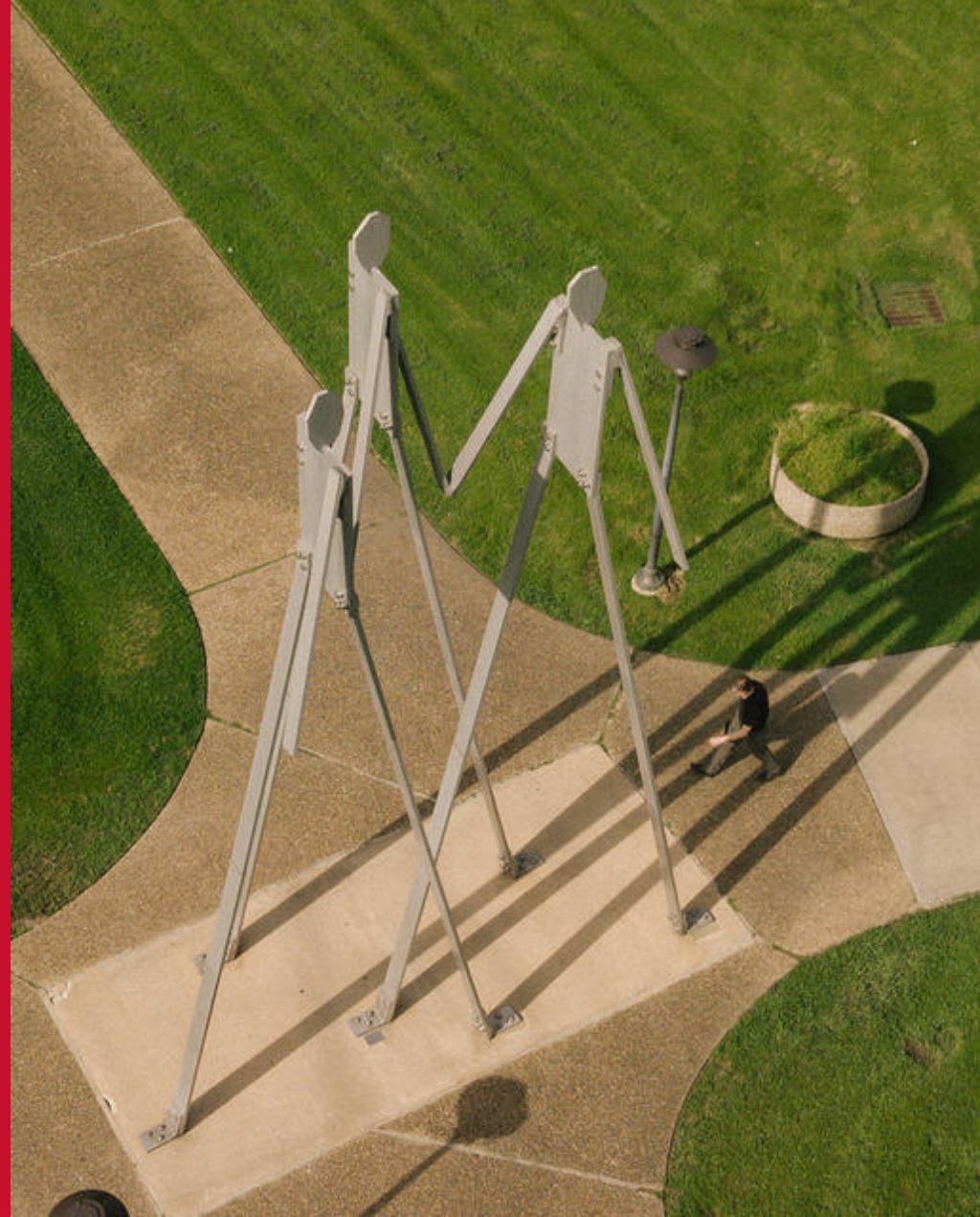
Enrollment History Enrollment Terms

Area of Study College/School, Degree, Concentration, Major

Term Data Classification, Section Tag, Term GPA

Performance Data GPA, Hours, Credits

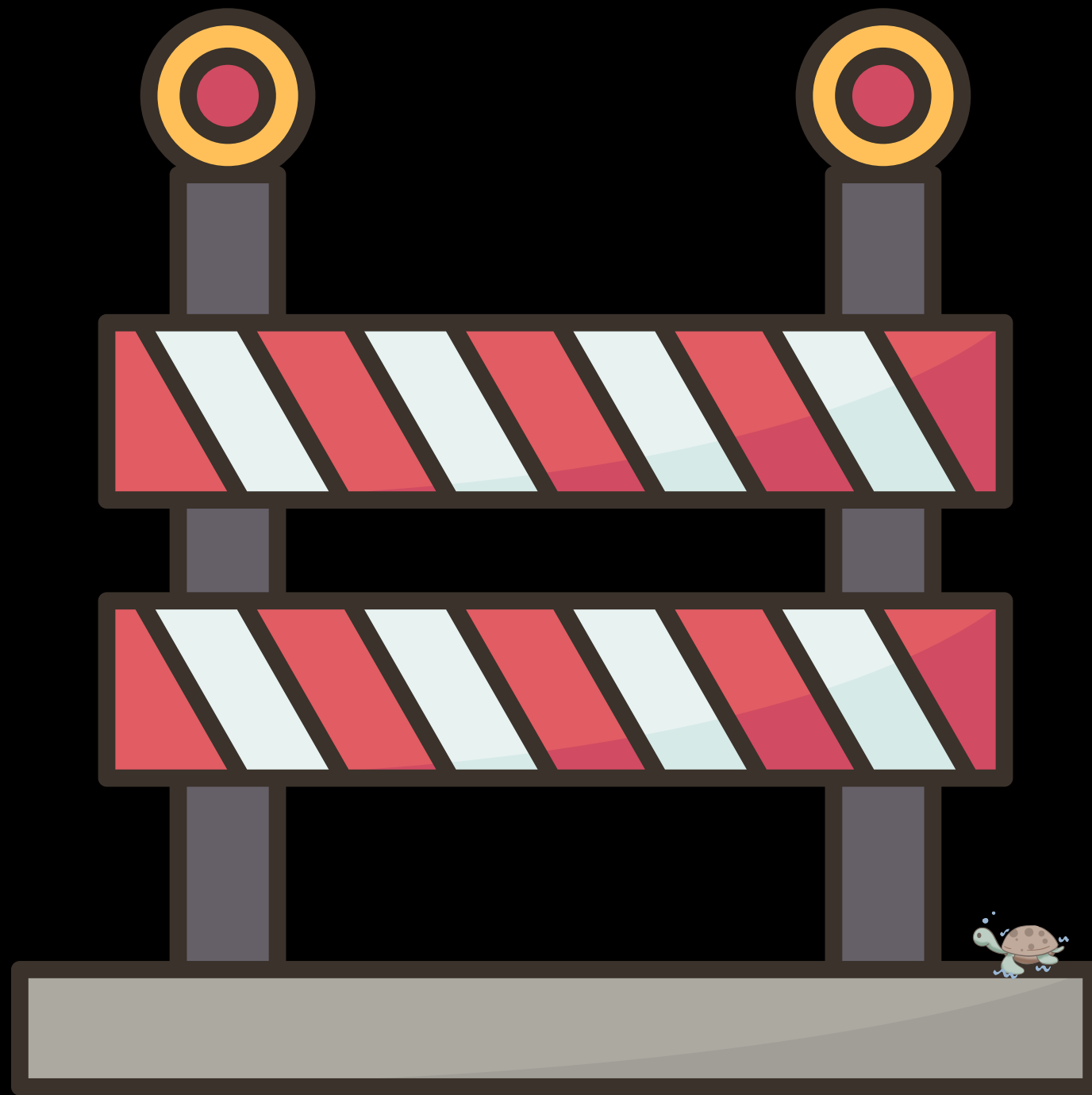
Course Data Course, Section, Status



# Benefits

- Reduce "lost credits"
- Help set expectations
- Smooth transition from a community college/university
- Saves time for both admissions and major advisors

# Hurdles



- **Funding**
- **Staffing**
- **Cooperation from various campus partners**
- **Implementing and building awareness**

# Discussion

- Funding
- Overcoming budget restraints
- Ideas for gradual implementation

# Questions

What is your school's procedure on advising prospective students?

What resources are you current utilizing? What else do we need?

Are we currently meeting our student's needs? Let's define success.

Who are some campus partners that you could reach out to?

What are some small steps we can take back to our university?

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