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# **Transfer Advisory Council**

# Meeting Agenda September 2, 2022 | 9:00am | Virtual

- I. Welcome and Introductions
- II. Transfer Curriculum Review:
  - a. Louisiana Transfer Degree (Link)
  - b. Associate of General Studies (Link)
  - c. General Education Core (Link)
- III. Transfer Program Review
  - a. University Transfer Pathways / Articulation Agreements (Link)
  - b. Connect to Success Program (Link)
  - c. General Education Student Learning Outcomes (attachment)
- IV. Action Items & Feedback



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Meeting Minutes September 2, 2022 | 9:00am | Virtual

### I. Attendance:

- Paul Donaldson Northshore Technical Community College, Associate Provost of Academics and Transfer Pathways
- Lizette Leader Northshore Technical Community College, Dean of Campus Administration (Livingston Campus)
- Deon Bergeron University of New Orleans, Director of Admissions
- o Lorett Swank Southeastern Louisiana University, Chief Student Success Officer
- o Brandi Desselle Livingston Parish School Board, Curriculum Coordinator
- Stacey Alexius St. Tammany Parish Public School System, Career and Technical Education Coordinator
- Wendi Palermo Louisiana Community and Technical College System, Chief Education and Training Officer

# II. University Transfer Pathways

Paul Donaldson gave an overview of NTCC's University Transfer Pathways webpage. It was noted that NTCC's institutional accreditation status with SACSCOC beginning in 2020 afford the college more opportunities to develop transfer specific curriculum, with focus on the Louisiana Transfer Degree Associate of Arts and Associate of Science. At this time, NTCC does not have specialized "concentrations" within the LA Transfer Degrees because advisors work directly with students to craft a specific transfer plan based on the university curriculum

As part of the Transfer Pathways webpage, Dr. Donaldson also discussed transfer articulation agreements that have been signed between NTCC and area universities. Each agreement is linked to university specific transfer pages within the webpage.

Dr. Donaldson noted several applied sciences pathways that the college has recently developed. In August 2022, NTCC signed an articulation agreement with LSU-A that allows students to transfer 60 hours towards the Bachelor of Arts and Applied Sciences degree, 45 of which can be Career and Technical coursework. This allows students who have completed a technical/health sciences program at NTCC that is not specifically designed to transfer to continue their progression towards a bachelor's degree without significant loss of transferable credit. NTCC has signed similar agreements with the University of Southern Mississippi and Mississippi State and talks are underway with the University of Mississippi. These programs can be completed online.

LSUA: <a href="https://www.northshorecollege.edu/programs/university-transfer/files/documents/NTCC-LSUA%20BAAS%20Agreement.pdf">https://www.northshorecollege.edu/programs/university-transfer/files/documents/NTCC-LSUA%20BAAS%20Agreement.pdf</a>

Mississippi State University: <a href="https://www.northshorecollege.edu/programs/university-transfer/files/documents/MSU%20NTCC%20BAS%20MOU%202022">https://www.northshorecollege.edu/programs/university-transfer/files/documents/MSU%20NTCC%20BAS%20MOU%202022</a> Signed.pdf

University of Southern Mississippi:

https://www.northshorecollege.edu/programs/university-transfer/files/documents/USM%20Applied%20Technology.pdf

### III. Transfer Curriculum Review:

Paul Donaldson led a review of transfer curriculum offered by the college. This included focus on the Louisiana Transfer Degree (both the Associate of Arts and Associate of Science). Dr. Donaldson discussed the advantages of completing the associate degree prior to transfer, including a guaranteed transfer of 60 hours and completion of the general education block.

The Associate of General Studies was also discussed as an option for students who may have started out with a CTE focus but decided to further on education towards a bachelor's degree. The AGS allows students to complete 30 hours of CTE electives (or general electives) along with 30 hours of general education electives within the Certificate of General Studies.

Links to each program were provided to the council:

Louisiana Transfer Degree (Link)

Associate of General Studies (Link)

## IV. Transfer Program Review:

Dr. Donaldson sent information related to program assessment of student learning outcomes for transfer programs to the committee for review, prior to the meeting. Results of the most recently completed assessment cycle were discussed. It was noted that the cycle was two-years in length, which included multiples measures directly embedded into general education courses for the purpose of assessing each student learning outcome. Final results were compiled in 2020 and action plans were implemented in the 2020-2021 academic year aimed at improving teaching and learning based on the results.

Stacey Alexius recommended that NTCC partner with local high school systems in order to ensure alignment between high school curriculum and general education curriculum at the college, especially as it relates to dual enrollment opportunities.

### V. Action Items & Feedback

Deon Bergeron (UNO) recommended that NTCC reach out to university counselors to advertise opportunities to meet with students on campus on a regular basis.

Stacey Alexius (STPSB) recommended that NTCC send high school personnel electronic information sheets / promotional materials related to University Transfer Pathways

Lorett Swank (SLU) recommended further collaboration between NTCC and at SLU's Transfer Student Coordinator, Amanda Harper, who is housed within the Center for Student Excellence

Wendi Palermo (LCTCS) shared information about the BASAH at Northwestern State University, which is an applied bachelor's degree in health sciences. She noted that work is underway from the system office to establish a pathway for applied health sciences programs. She also shared a link to statewide articulation agreements: <a href="mailto:Transfer Agreements">Transfer Agreements</a> | Education, Training, and Student Affairs (Ictcs.edu)

The meeting was adjourned at 9:52am.