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DARS/Transferology News

Announcements:

CALLING FOR PROPOSALS - DARS/TRANSFEROLOGY USER CONFERENCE

The 2015 DARS/Transferology User Conference will be Sept 29-30, 2015 at Craguns Resort and Conference Center. This day and a half conference is designed for encoders, staff who work with transfer rules built within the DARwin/u.achieve tables, and campus Transferology Administrators.

Session ideas or presentations are needed...from YOU. We always ask what people want prior to the conference, but still get feedback on the evaluations forms like “ask for us to make suggestions.” How could we make this less “lecturing” and more activity/interactive? Your great ideas are requested! TELL US WHAT YOU WANT! Please submit your ideas to marla.delaney@so.mnscu.edu. Let’s make this conference the best we can for you!

u.achieve Updates:

PRODUCTION ROLLOUT DATE PLANNED

At this point, we plan to switch from DARwin to u.achieve software the week of July 13, 2015. Details are still being formulated and more information will be shared as further progress is made.

u.achieve IMPROVEMENTS – PDF AUDITS FOR INTERNAL USE

College and university staff using either the u.achieve client or the ISRS Uniface reporting screens to run audits in u.achieve will get back a one-column PDF audit. Readability is greatly improved over the two-column text audit currently produced. However, if your audits are already quite long, a one-column audit will definitely be longer! Now might be a time to consider reducing verbiage and reporting on your audits.

Here’s an example of what the beginning of a PDF audit looks like:

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PREPARED: 05/26/15 - 10:25 AM                                00000001
Student Text                                                  CATALOG YEAR: F 2014
PROGRAM CODE: BA 1063
St Cloud State University

                                Geography Major
                                Bachelor of Arts

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STUDENT INFORMATION
Classification: SP

Advisor: Zamlan, Brenda
        Plachejo, Matthew

Previous Degree Information: MA - 06/01/1962
                                Major: BIOLOGY
Previous Degree Information: PHD - 06/01/1964
                                Major: Biology, General
                                Minor: Parasitology
Previous Degree Information: BS - 06/01/1960
                                Major: BIOLOGY
                                Minor: Chemistry, General

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                                AT LEAST ONE REQUIREMENT HAS NOT BEEN SATISFIED
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NO      MINIMUM GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

- 1) Minimum 120 undergraduate semester credits required
    for graduation
    108.0 EARNED CREDITS
    NEEDS: 12.0 CREDITS

- 2) 2.00 GPA overall required for graduation

- 3) 40 credits of coursework at the upper division
    (300-400 level)
    15.0 EARNED CREDITS
    NEEDS: 25.0 CREDITS

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***** TRANSFER INFORMATION *****
TRANSFER OF CREDIT: Once transfer credit has been
evaluated, courses and their equivalencies will appear on
this report. If you have questions about transfer
decisions, please contact
    
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TRANSFEROLOGY UPDATES:

An email from CollegeSource, Inc. sent on Friday, May 22 announced that the Transferology server will be moving to San Diego from Cincinnati on July 10, 2015. There is nothing that you need to do; all firewall changes will be handled by the system office IT staff.

Please note however, that the Transferology and Transferology Lab sites will be down starting at 6 p.m. on Friday July 10. The expected downtime will be 24 – 48 hours. Several weeks prior to the downtime, a message will be displayed on both sites informing users of this event and the expected downtime.

USERS ON THE MOVE:

Nadine Forsman, registrar at Vermilion Community College, is retiring on July 14, 2015 after almost 34 years! Taking over the DARS and Transferology encoding and TA duties, along with other administrative portions of Nadine's job is current Vermilion employee, Chris Hegebarth.

Nadine plans to throw away her alarm clock, perhaps replacing it with one that just tells her what day of the week it is. She is going to play, play, play and spend lots more time with her grandkids. We wish Nadine the best in her well-deserved retirement.

Is a DARS/Transferology User from your institution retiring, leaving the region, or moving on to new adventures? Have you hired someone new? We'd love to include it in a future newsletter. Email Marla Delaney at marla.delaney@so.mnscu.edu with the news you would like to share. News could include a brief history of work experience(s) at your institution, future plans/new adventures, and anything else you'd like to say.

CURRICULUM UPDATES:

Effective Fall 2015, at St. Cloud Technical & Community College, the following subject/departmental changes will occur:

- BLGY1305 will become ENVR1305
- BLGY1310 will become ENVR1310
- BLGY1315 will become ENVR1315

2015 CURRICULUM COMPARISON PROJECT UPDATE: In early-mid May each campus contact was sent a listings of changes and asked to proof those change and return to dars.info@so.mnscu.edu. The deadline to return the changes was June 5th. A sincere thanks to the 22 campuses who, as of June 4th, have reviewed and returned their Curriculum Changes!

The changes will be posted to the website within a few weeks after the deadline and requests for insert into DARS Transfer tables will be accepted.

WEBINARS:

The new webinars, as well as previous webinars, are posted on the CollegeSource, Support Center, Webinars page. You must have a CollegeSource account to login and register.

2015 Upcoming CollegeSource Webinars are posted at: <http://www.collegesource.com/news-events/webinars> June Webinar highlights:

Transferology™ Lab for Transfer Specialist—June 10, 2015, 12:00 PM-1:00 PM (1:00-2:00 PM EDT)

Introducing Transferology™—June 11, 2015, 12:00 PM-1:00 PM (1:00-2:00 PM EDT)

Transferology™ Lab for Recruiters and Advisors — June 18, 2015, 2:00 PM-3:00 AM (3:00 PM-4:00 PM EDT)

Introducing Transferology™—June 30, 2015, 10:00 AM-11:00 AM (11:00 AM-12:00 PM EDT)

CollegeSource is also offering some of their training materials and tutorials online. Everyone with a support center account has unlimited access to these materials at no cost. They include abridged PDF versions of u.achieve “Best Practices Encoding” and “Best Practices Intermediate Encoding.

Training & Conferences

Please indicate your interest in training by registering for the appropriate training session. Once registered, you will be contacted to arrange date(s) and time, and possibly where the training will take place.

- ◆ **Basic Encoding Training** – Training offered upon request (When registering, please indicate specific needs in the Comments area. You will be contacted for detailed arrangements.)
- ◆ **Transfer Articulation Training** – Training offered upon request (When registering, please indicate specific needs in the Comments area. You will be contacted for detailed arrangements.)
- ◆ **Transferology Advisor Training** – to be determined
- ◆ **Transferology Administrator Training** – to be determined

All training will be held at the system office in Saint Paul, unless otherwise indicated. Training will be in Room 2204 or 3354, depending on the number of registered participants.

Registration and information can be found at the following link: http://www.dars.mntransfer.org/training/training_dates.html.

The format will allow you to check the dates of the training, review agendas, and register from the same page. **REGISTRATION DEADLINE: 1 week prior to training or open lab dates.**

Upon completion, please complete the Training Evaluation at: <http://www.dars.mntransfer.org/training/evaluation.php>.

Third Wednesday & Thursday/DARS Open Labs

We are trying to be creative about ways for campus staff to get the help they need to update/maintain/improve DARS encoding, transfer articulation and Transferology.

We have added a link on our Training Registration page to request “On-site Campus Assistance”. We’ll do our best to either come to your campus or meet you half way at a convenient location that could accommodate us.

We can also schedule WebEx sessions for one-on-one assistance, plus have our Third Wednesday/Thursday Open Labs here in St. Paul and will schedule a day at the Quarry Center in Waite Park monthly.

Third Wednesday & Thursday – June 17 & 18, 2015 in training lab 2204.

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DARS “**On-site Campus Assistance**” – upon request

REGISTRATION: http://www.dars.mntransfer.org/training/training_regform.php

DIRECTIONS: <http://www.mnscu.edu/system/directions.html>