



DARS/Transferology News

Announcements:

COLLEGESOURCE USER CONFERENCE – JUNE 22-25

Hopefully you've all seen information on the CollegeSource 2015 User Conference and Training Workshop, June 22-25, 2015 in Boston, MA. The DARS/Transferology Team has submitted a conference session proposal called "Tips, Tricks and Troubleshooting." If any of you are planning on attending, we'd like to include a couple of your tips & trick in our presentation, too! Please let us know if you plan on attending this year's conference and if you have a tip/trick you'd like to share.

DARS/TRANSFEROLOGY USER CONFERENCE – SEPT 29-30, 2015

We are pleased to announce that the 2015 DARS/Transferology User Conference will be Sept 29-30, 2015. The day and a half conference will be held at Craguns Resort & Conference Center in Brainerd. The conference registration fee will be \$70 again this year and the lodging rate will be \$99.39 (includes service charge and MN sales tax). The conference will begin at 10am on Tuesday to allow for travel time and end at noon on Wednesday. Our conference will be held back-to-back with the Transfer Conference. Please use this information to plan your FY16 travel budget accordingly.

TRANSFEROLOGY™ ADVISOR TRAINING

Transferology Advisor training has been scheduled at the following times:

- ◆ Thursday, March 12 (9:00-11:00am): Metropolitan State University, St Paul campus, SJH L11
- ◆ Tuesday, March 17 (9:30-11:30am & 1:00-3:00pm): Waite Park, Quarry Center training room
- ◆ Tuesday, March 31 (1:00-3:00pm): Metropolitan State University, St Paul campus, SJH L11
- ◆ Date TBD: Minnesota Online staff – webinar

John Panzica, Transfer Solutions Specialist from CollegeSource, Inc. will host the training sessions (2 sessions were held Feb 19 at the system office, St Paul). Along with an overview of the site and the advisor functionality, there will be hands-on time, as well. See our training page for details and registration link.

John has created a resource sheet that highlights Transferology Lab for Recruiter/Advisors and what each role allows, along with additional resource links to webinars, videos and user guides. The document is posted on our Transferology Training at: http://www.dars.mntransfer.org/updates/transferology/documents/Advisor_Recruiter_Roles_Resources.pdf

TRANSFEROLOGY™ and TRANSFEROLOGY LAB™ 1.3.1 RELEASE

CollegeSource announced that the 1.3.1 Transferology™ and Transferology™ Lab releases went into production on Monday morning February 23rd. The 1.3.1 release contains 90+ enhancements and bug fixes for Transferology and the Transferology Lab.

Highlights include:

In Transferology

- ◆ Added Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) page to assist students.
- ◆ Improved course and match counts in navigation bar.

Special points of interest:

- CollegeSource User Conference 2015
- DARS/Transferology User Conf Announced
- Transferology Advisor Training
- Transferology Release Update
- u.achieve Update



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- ◆ School's Transfer Information URL is now shown on school's program information view.
- ◆ Incorporated finer granularity for school profile maps.
- ◆ Added state abbreviation next to school names in course lists so multiple schools with the same name are differentiated.
- ◆ Improved wording on the password recovery system to more accurately describe each process step.

In the Transferology Lab

- ◆ All users can now copy a course bundle to assist creating a bundle with several common courses.
- ◆ New Help menu item to access the Lab's support documents is now available between the My Stuff and Logout menus.
- ◆ Full/Partial credit message is now shown in Lab equivalencies.
- ◆ Provides auto archive option for school's recruit and advise requests.

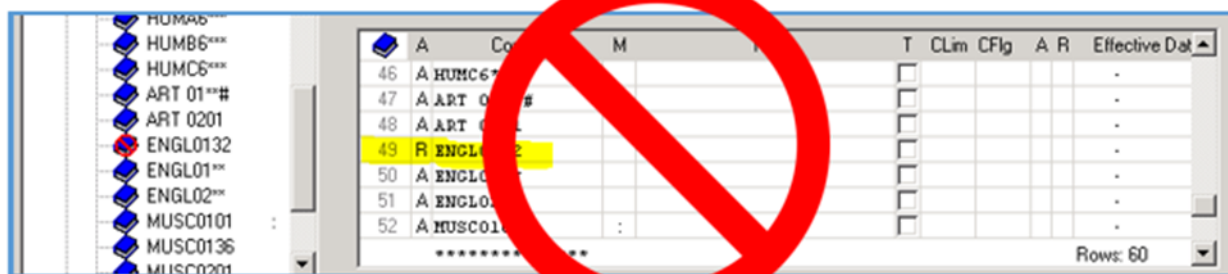
The complete list of bug fixes and enhancements are available at the following link, after logging into the CSI support center at: <https://clients.collegesource.com/home/display/TFO/Transferology+1.3.1+Release+Notes>

U.ACHIEVE UPDATE

Most schools have Reject lines built in sub-requirements. All training materials have specified that Reject lines must be encoded first – above any Accept lines in a sub-requirement. However, in DARwin software processing it did not matter. Courses could be rejected from a sub-requirement even if they followed an Accept line. That is not true in u.achieve. Reject lines are not read at all in u.achieve processing if they are preceded by A-lines.

This data was analyzed and it was discovered that twenty-four different MnSCU schools had encoded at least one spot with a reject line below an accept line. Clean up from the original analysis has been completed.

Future Encoding Cautions: Always put Reject lines in a sub-requirement before any Accept lines.



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50	A	ENGL0							-
51	A	ENGL0							-
52	A	MUSCOL							-

USERS ON THE MOVE:

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.

CAMPUS ANNOUNCEMENTS:

(Please let us know about information you wish to share with other MnSCU schools. We particularly welcome news from you that will impact DARS encoding and transfer processing within MnSCU. Celebrate accomplishments by sharing your victories ...small or large ... with your colleagues.)

CURRICULUM UPDATES:

Effective Summer 2015, at Hennepin Technical College, the following changes will occur regarding MnTC Goal Area designations:

- PHYS2001 Introductory Physics – from Goal 3 to Goals 2 and 3.
- SOCI2200 Racial & Ethnic Relations – from Goals 5 and 9 to Goals 5 and 7
- COMM2020 – from Goals 7 and 8 to Goals 1 and 7

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>

March Webinar highlights:

Transferology™ Lab for Administrators—March 10, 2015, 12:00 PM-1:00 PM (1:00-2:00 PM EDT)

Introducing Transferology™—March 18, 2015, 2:00 PM-3:00 PM (3:00-4:00 PM EDT)

Transferology™ Lab for Transfer Specialist—March 19, 2015, 11:00 AM-12:00 PM (12:00-1:00 PM EDT)

Transferology™ Lab for Recruiters and Advisors —March 24, 2015, 11:00 AM-12:00 PM (12:00 PM-1:00 PM EDT)

Transferology™ Lab for Administrators—April 1, 2015, 2:00 PM-3:00 PM (3:00-4:00 PM EDT)

Introducing Transferology™—April 2, 2015, 1:00 PM-2:00 PM (2:00-3:00 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** – See page 1 for details of training sessions being offered. Registration link below.
- ◆ **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.

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DARS “**Central**” **Open Lab** – Wednesday, March 25, 2015 at Quarry Center, Waite Park, 9:00am-3:00pm in Quarry Center Training Room.

DARS “**Central**” **Open Lab** – Wednesday, April 22, 2015 at Quarry Center, Waite Park, 9:00am-3:00pm in Quarry Center Training Room.

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

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

For questions or comments about this newsletter, contact Marla Delaney at marla.delaney@so.mnscu.edu. Thank you.