



# DARS/Transferology News

## Announcements:

### DARS/TRANSFEROLOGY USER CONFERENCE CONCLUDES

Wow! 88 participants attended this year's conference held at the Cragun's Resort and Hotel on Gull Lake in Brainerd on September 29 and 30, 2015.

Kim Lynch, Senior System Director provided the welcome message, giving an overview of Educational Innovations and Academic & Student Affairs, as well as discussing our pivotal role forwarding system priorities and goals.

Our Keynote Speaker, Michele Jersak from Century College, brought insight to the group in her presentation "Impact of Poverty on Student Behavior."

Conference sessions included: Audit Appearance & Consistency; Tips & Tricks; Transfer Articulation in u.achieve Self-Service; What's New – CollegeSource, Transferology Update and Ways to Promote; Sustaining Reverse Transfer; ImageNow Workflow – Audits/Graduation; Exceptions Overview; and Condition vs System Condition Codes.

Participants also split off into Breakout sessions for 2 year/4 year school discussions, Encoding Hot Topics, Curriculum Change Process/Workflow, and a Transferology Clinic to get one-on-one help and ask questions. Participants also had the opportunity to have open dialogue pertaining to their campus work and issues involving their daily work flow activities at the Open Topic Town Hall Meeting.

Conference evaluations reinforce that our users value the information and the opportunity to gather as a group and hear about/discuss topics related to the work we do and how we can better serve our students. A big THANK YOU to all the presenters at this year's conference! We'd especially like to thank the members of CollegeSource staff who made the trip to Minnesota to share their expertise: Troy Holaday, Donna Pursifull, and John Panzica. And, we appreciate our ImageNow Workflow Panel: Sue Danielson (Rochester CTC), Susan Markes (Hennepin TC), Amanda Mathews (Riverland CC) and Lana Feddema (St Cloud TCC).

Conference presentations and the Participant List were posted prior to the conference on the MnSCU DARS/Transferology project website and can be viewed at:

[http://www.dars.mntransfer.org/UserConf/2015/agenda\\_2015.html](http://www.dars.mntransfer.org/UserConf/2015/agenda_2015.html)

### KEY MEMBER OF THE MNSCU DARS/TRANSFEROLOGY UNIT RETIRES

Our conference not only finished up at noon on Wednesday, September 30, but it was also the final hour for an amazing project director, Laurie Tralle. A retirement celebration was held at Cragun's among many of the people who were so much a part of Laurie's life over the years. Many stepped up to say a few words about or to Laurie, including a few seasoned retirees, Fred and Gin Forseman, Mary D'Andrea and Margo Mueller. Laurie was very touched AND we were lucky enough to be able to gathering outside on a beautiful fall day for this group photo for her memory box!



She'll be missed greatly, but we wish her all the best in her exciting new world of retirement!

### Special points of interest:

- **DARS User Conference Concludes**
- **Project Director Retires**
- **Curriculum Updates**



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## CURRICULUM UPDATES:

The new course insert functionality has now been restored! There was a delay after the u.achieve upgrade before we could get the course inserts ready to go again, but the 2015/2016 new courses are here. As a reminder: the electronic insert includes the new course department, number, title, and MnTC notation and is hidden from Transferology at the rule level.

If you would like to request the new courses inserts for your school, please e-mail the DARS Team at [darsinfo@so.mnscu.edu](mailto:darsinfo@so.mnscu.edu) with:

- ⇒ Your school
- ⇒ Which sets you would like: all new MNTC courses, all new non-MNTC courses, or both
- ⇒ Date to add the course inserts

If you have questions regarding the process, please contact Kristen Patrick at [kristen.patrick@so.mnscu.edu](mailto:kristen.patrick@so.mnscu.edu).

**Itasca Community College** - Art 1101: Art Appreciation to include Goal 8 effective Fall 2015. The course now carries goals 2, 6 and 8.

## DOCUMENTATION:

Audit customizing via INCLTOP is being revised to include new # items and revised “how to” documentation. It is not complete at the time this newsletter is posted, but should be completely updated within the next week. The webpage and list of documentation can be found at: <http://www.dars.mntransfer.org/updates/auditcustomizing.html>

## 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>

October Webinar highlights:

**Introducing Transferology™**—October 2, 2015, 10:00 AM-11:00 AM (11:00 AM-12:00 PM EDT)

**Transferology™ Lab for Transfer Specialist**—October 8, 2015, 1:00 PM-2:00 PM (2:00 PM-1300 PM EDT)

**Transferology™ Lab for Recruiters and Advisors** — October 13, 2015, 2:00 PM-3:00 PM (3:00 PM –4:00 PM EDT)

**Transferology™ Lab for Administrators**—October 21, 2015, 11:00 AM-12:00 PM (12:00 PM-1:00 PM EDT)

**Introducing Transferology™**—October 26, 2015, 12:00 PM-1:00 PM (1:00 PM-2:00 PM EDT)

**Transferology™ Lab for Transfer Specialist**—October 27, 2015, 1:00 PM-2:00 PM (2:00 PM-3:00 PM EDT)

**Transferology™ Lab for Recruiters and Advisors** — November 6, 2015, 1:00 PM-2:00 PM (2:00 PM –3:00 PM EDT)

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

**Introducing Transferology™**—November 11, 2015, 11:00 AM-12:00 PM (12:00 PM-1:00 PM EDT)

**Transferology™ Lab for Transfer Specialist**—November 18, 2015, 2:00 PM-3:00 PM (3:00 PM-4:00 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.)

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](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>.

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## Third Wednesday & Thursday/DARS Open Labs

**Third Wednesday & Thursday** – October 21 & 22, 2015 in training lab 2204.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: **1 week prior to training or open lab dates.**

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

DARS “**Central**” **Open Lab** – Wednesday, October 28, 2015 at Quarry Center, Waite Park, 9:00am-3:00pm in Quarry Center Training Room.

DARS “**Central**” **Open Lab** – Wednesday, December 2, 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](http://www.dars.mntransfer.org/training/training_regform.php)

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

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Thank you.