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DARS/Transferology News

Announcements:

DARS USER CONFERENCE 2015 – Registration Reminder

The DARS User Conference will be held at Cragun's Resort and Hotel on Gull Lake in Brainerd on September 29-30, 2015. The day and a half conference will be held back-to-back with the Transfer Specialists Conference.

Lodging availability is not guaranteed after August 31st, so if you still need accommodation you should contact Cragun's as soon as possible. Complete information can be found on our User Conference Information page at: <http://www.dars.mntransfer.org/UserConf/index.html>

Please register for the conference by Friday, September 11th. For those of you already registered for the conference, please remember to **forward your Purchase Orders or checks** to Marla Sykes (details on the Conference Information page).

Meal options not included with the conference are posted at <http://www.dars.mntransfer.org/UserConf/2015/CragunsMealOptionsDARSConference.html> for your planning purposes.

Conference presentations will be posted on our website by Monday, September 28th for printing prior to the conference, if you choose.

NOTE: If you have discussion topics, but would prefer to remain anonymous, we will have a Drop Box for Open Topic Discussions available at the conference.

Additionally, we will be discontinuing the DARS/Transferology Recognition Award this year. Winners from last year can either keep the awards or donate them to the "Memorabilia" box at the System Office.

If you have questions, please contact Marla Sykes at marla.sykes@so.mnscu.edu.

See you soon!!

u.achieve Updates:

REMAINING ISSUES

There have been a number of issues reported since the software upgrade. The problems that seem to be affecting multiple schools are:

- The sporadic slow return of audits, particularly when using DA4001CP to request an audit versus using the Run Bar in the client and when setting Evaluate Transfer to 'A'.
- Changes made to a student major in ISRS are not always immediately reflected on student audit runs.
- Various inconsistencies and data problems have been reported when conducting audit analysis runs
- Forcing the major and the minor together in DA4001CP does not work. The entire audit process in u.achieve relies on job_queue output tables and there is no allowance in those tables to force the minor.

RECENTLY FIXED ISSUES

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- Regular batch audit runs in DA4010CP didn't produce all the audits. This was fixed and rolled out on Thursday, August 27.
- Audits were being run in DA4001CP without any Tech ID entered at numerous schools by many different people. This created 30 'Student Not Found' audits, which slowed other audit processing until all 30 audits ran. Since August 27, only one STU NOT FOUND audit is created, and the top of this audit now will say, "Bad or Missing Tech ID (You entered a bad Tech ID or did not enter one at all)".

Please be assured that we are working on the remaining issues, either internally or with CollegeSource. We have tried to keep the reporting campuses up to date with what is happening.

Please let us know if you are experiencing problems or if you have questions or concerns. Submit a help desk ticket at dars.custhelp.com.

DA4010CP BATCH AUDIT REPORT

We have been able to assist a few schools to tweak their COM tables in order to get the output they are looking for, especially as they are doing graduation audit checks using the DA4010CP report. Let us know if you need any help in figuring out the COM settings that will work to give you the batch audit format you need with the correct results.

And a note about DUPLEX PRINTING in DA4010CP - - - The audits each print with a page break, but there is no setting available to keep a different student's audit from starting on the back side of the last student's audit. So if your business need is a completely separate audit for each student, two-sided printing will not work.

NEW COM ENTRY FOR U.ACHIEVE

The CONDSYSR field is needed for correct processing of system condition codes as set in your INCLTOP # items. We have added the CONDSYSR COM entry for the twenty-three schools who currently do this type of processing.

For all the details, please read the document at: http://dars.mntransfer.org/updates/documents/pdf/COMfield_CONDSYSR.pdf

Transferology Updates:

TRANSFEROLOGY RELEASE AUGUST 26, 2015

Transferology 1.4 Release Updates webinar from August 24, 2015 has been recorded and posted at <https://clients.collegesource.com/home/display/SVC/Webinars>. This webinar provides an overview of the new features and functionality, primary in Transferology Lab. All Transferology Administrators should be aware of these changes for functionality previously done in Legacy that has now moved to Lab functionality. Recruiters, Advisors and Transfer Specialist using the Lab should be aware of new applicable Role functionality, as well.

CURRICULUM UPDATES:

Hibbing Community College: BIOL 1250 and BIOL 1260 are no longer offered as of Fall 2015. They are replaced with the Goal 3 courses BIOL 1270 and BIOL1280.

Riverland Community College: PSYC 1250 added goals 5 and 7. A new course, THTR 1140, is being added with goal areas 6 and 8. Both changes are effective Fall 2015.

USERS "ON THE MOVE":

Chris Hegenbarth has worked for Vermilion Community College for nearly 18 years. Originally hired to run the Elderhostel (now Road Scholar) programs, her position has evolved to include a variety of instructional services components. The most recent change has been transitioning out of Road Scholar to take on the responsibilities of registrar, following Nadine Forsman's retirement in July. Gardening, berry picking, canoeing, walking, and cross-country skiing, as well as chasing her two elementary age kids, are things she does in her free time.

DOCUMENTATION:

We have had many instances in the DARS Help Desk regarding duplicate records/courses. We have posted a link to ISRS Documentation for “Remote Applicable Course Process and Transfer (How to avoid double counting the credits)” at <http://its.mnscu.edu/isrs/doc/Studentacademicrecords/remotecrtransfer.html>

Additionally, we have begun revising our documentation to reflex changes since the u.achieve upgrade. Revised documentation is noted with “(Updated xx/xx/15)”. New documentation will be posted under the category “**u.achieve**”.

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>

September Webinar highlights:

Transferology™ Lab for Administrators—September 10, 2015, 1:00 PM-2:00 PM (2:00-3:00 PM EDT)

Transfer Articulation Encoding in u.achieve Self-Service Part I: IREF Tables—September 14, 2015, 1:00 PM-2:00 PM (2:00-3:00 PM EDT)

Introducing Transferology™—September 15, 2015, 2:00 PM-3:00 PM (3:00 PM-4:00 PM EDT)

Transfer Articulation Encoding in u.achieve Self-Service Part II: TA Tables—September 14, 2015, 1:00 PM-2:00 PM (2:00-3:00 PM EDT)

Transferology™ Lab for Transfer Specialist—September 16, 2015, 11:00 AM-12:00 PM (12:00 AM-1:00 PM EDT)

Transferology™ Lab for Recruiters and Advisors — September 24, 2015, 10:00 AM-11:00 AM (11:00 AM -12:00 PM EDT)

Transferology™ Lab for Administrators—September 28, 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.)

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

Third Wednesday & Thursday – September 16 & 17, 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

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

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