

# DARS/TRANSFEROLOGY NEWS

Minnesota State DARS and Transferology Newsletter

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## *Leave a Memo...*

So far no MnSCU DARS users have been hit by the proverbial 'Beer Truck', but it could happen! Anytime you enter some unusual encoding, or a unique TA rule, remember to make use of those Memo fields! Don't make future DARS users ask 'What WERE they doing?'

## *Registration is open for the Annual DARS User Conference!*

The 14<sup>th</sup> Annual DARS Users Conference 2016 will be held at Cragun's Resort and Hotel on Gull Lake on October 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. The day and a half conference will again be held back-to-back with the Transfer Specialist Conference (October 12-13, half day + full day).

Conference check-in will begin at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday 10/11, along with refreshments. The conference sessions begin at 10:00 a.m. and continue to 4:30. Dinner will be on your own (options will follow). We will resume with breakfast served from 7:30-8:30 a.m. on Wednesday, with sessions starting at 8:30 a.m. and ending by noon. For those of you continuing on with the Transfer Specialist Conference, lunch will be on your own (daily buffet at poolside will be available, as well as other meal options within or outside the resort).

Conference (\$70 fee) includes: 10/11 - check-in refreshments, lunch, afternoon break; 10/12 - breakfast, morning break. Conference registration information and Cragun's Lodging Reservation are available on our website. A separate email will contain detailed information. For those of you attending both DARS Users Conference and the Transfer Specialist Conference, registration and fees will be handled separately. However, you can select Monday &/or Tuesday night lodging and the "Stay Over Option" on Cragun's Lodging Reservation Form and handle your lodging needs using one form. NOTE: Payment or PO must be included with Reservation. Registration, lodging forms, and more information is available at <http://www.dars.mntransfer.org/UserConf/index.html>.

Have something exciting to share? We're still looking for campuses to present their innovations with DARS and Transferology!

If you have questions or would like to present at the conference, please contact Miranda Evans at [miranda.evans@so.mnscu.edu](mailto:miranda.evans@so.mnscu.edu).

We look forward to seeing you there!!

## Curriculum Updates

The 2016-2017 Curriculum changes are now posted on the DARS website. The curriculum changes are listed for all 37 institutions and identifies new courses, dropped courses, title changes, credit changes, and MnTC changes.

MnSCU colleges and universities added **402** new MnTC goal areas and added **2727** new courses total. Curriculum and MnTC Goal Area changes for academic year 2016-2017 are listed here: <http://www.dars.mntransfer.org/support/currchanges/changesmenu.html>

### **2016-2017 New Courses Insert and 2016-2017 New MnTC Courses Insert**

New courses for MnSCU institutions, for the academic year 2016-2017, are available for electronically inserting into your TA tables. The electronic insert includes the new course department, number, title, and MnTC notation. The new course 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
- Target course (MNTC1617 or ACYR1617 recommended)
- Date to add the course inserts

## Laurie Tralle is a Grandma!

Congratulations to our friend Laurie Tralle, who just became a Grandma for the first time!!!

Tess Ann Vermeulen was born on July 22nd at 3:13 pm. She weighed 7 lbs. and 8 oz, and was 22 inches long.



Layne, Travis and Tess are all doing great, and Laurie couldn't be more thrilled!

## Transferology Webinars

New webinars, as well as previous webinars, are posted on the CollegeSource, Support Center, Webinars page: <http://www.collegesource.com/news-events/webinars>. You must have a CollegeSource account to login and register.

### **Introducing Transferology™**

August 18, 12:00-1:00pm

### **Transferology™ Lab: The Administrator Role**

August 22, 10:00am-11:00am

### **Transferology™ Lab: The Transfer Specialist Role**

August 8, 2:00pm-3:00pm

August 25, 12:00pm-1:00pm

### **Transferology™ Lab: TES® Evaluation Integration**

August 10, 11:00am-12:00pm

August 30, 2:00pm-3:00pm

### **Transferology™ Lab: Recruiter and Advisor Roles**

August 24, 11:00am-12:00pm

## Users On the Move...

Danielle Johnson, Assistant Registrar and DARS Coordinator, has resigned from Winona State University. Her last day was Friday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>. Danielle accepted a position at Luther College as an Associate Registrar. Danielle will be missed, however, we wish her the very best in her new position!

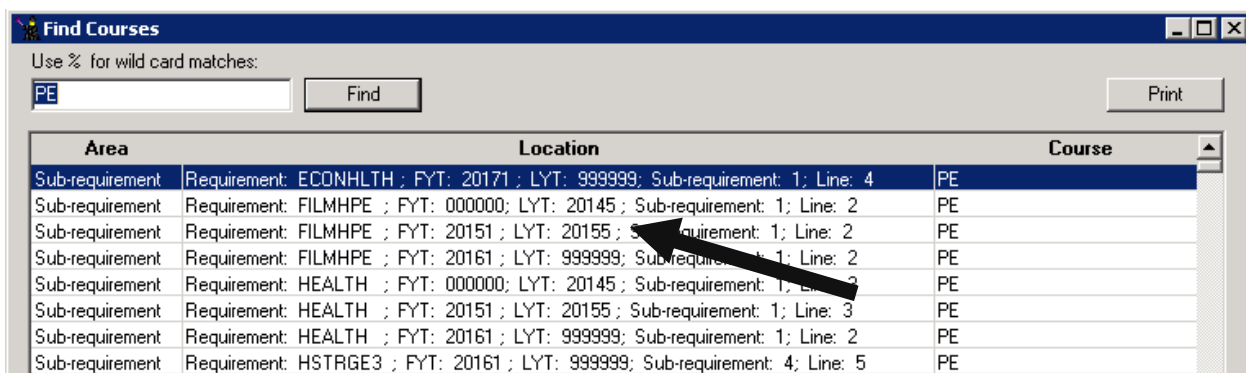
North Hennepin Community College is excited to welcome Meghan Forestell as the new Registration Management Analyst to the Records & Registration Office. Meghan joins the team from Admissions & Outreach where she has spent the last 8 years coordinating all special admissions processes and overseeing the Information Center. Her experience prior focused on registration and database management at a private institution. Meghan's main duties will include curriculum management, lead DARS encoder, Agilegrad encoder and support of Records & Registration. Join us in welcoming Meghan!

*Is a DARS/Transferology User from your institution retiring or moving on to new adventures? Have you hired someone new, or new to DARS? Email Miranda Evans at [Miranda.evans@so.mnscu.edu](mailto:Miranda.evans@so.mnscu.edu) with news you would like to share.*

## DARS Q & A: Why End-Date Requirements?

Question: When a program closes completely, I end date the program, but I don't end date requirements, even if it was the only program that used that requirement. Do I need to?

Answer: You don't need to, but it may help you (or the next encoder) in the future if you take the time to put in an end date. For instance, the Physical Education department changes their name to Exercise Science, and you need to find where all those old PE courses are in your programs to make updates. Using the 'Find Courses' feature, it will tell you what requirements use those courses, so you can easily find requirements that are still active and need to be changed, without having to open at each requirement and check if it's still in use:



Area	Location	Course
Sub-requirement	Requirement: ECONHLTH ; FYT: 20171 ; LYT: 999999; Sub-requirement: 1; Line: 4	PE
Sub-requirement	Requirement: FILMHPE ; FYT: 000000; LYT: 20145 ; Sub-requirement: 1; Line: 2	PE
Sub-requirement	Requirement: FILMHPE ; FYT: 20151 ; LYT: 20155 ; Sub-requirement: 1; Line: 2	PE
Sub-requirement	Requirement: FILMHPE ; FYT: 20161 ; LYT: 999999; Sub-requirement: 1; Line: 2	PE
Sub-requirement	Requirement: HEALTH ; FYT: 000000; LYT: 20145 ; Sub-requirement: 1; Line: 2	PE
Sub-requirement	Requirement: HEALTH ; FYT: 20151 ; LYT: 20155 ; Sub-requirement: 1; Line: 3	PE
Sub-requirement	Requirement: HEALTH ; FYT: 20161 ; LYT: 999999; Sub-requirement: 1; Line: 2	PE
Sub-requirement	Requirement: HSTRGE3 ; FYT: 20161 ; LYT: 999999; Sub-requirement: 4; Line: 5	PE

Have an question to that you'd like us to answer in the newsletter? Email suggestions to Miranda Evans at [miranda.evans@so.mnscu.edu](mailto:miranda.evans@so.mnscu.edu).

## *DARS User Group Meeting*

The DARS User Group had a very productive meeting on July 20<sup>th</sup>. The group discussed Transfer Pathways, Transfer Appeals in eServices, and our upcoming conference. We even took time after the meeting to check on our old friend Laurie Tralle! Thank you to everyone who attended, your participation means so much to us! If you have any ideas for future User Group Discussions or conference sessions, please email us at [darsinfo@so.mnscu.edu](mailto:darsinfo@so.mnscu.edu).

## *Documentation*

All of our documentation from our website is also listed as a Q&A format on the main DARS Support Page [dars.custhelp.com](http://dars.custhelp.com). You can type in a key word in the Search bar and find a Topic pertaining to the key word, as well as a link to our documentation.

## *MnTC Historical Listing*

Shannan Ellis (Collaboration and Transfer) continues to compile historic lists of MnTC courses for each of the MnSCU colleges and universities. The historic lists of MnTC Courses for Minnesota State University, Moorhead, Hibbing Community College and South Central College have been added at [http://www.dars.mntransfer.org/support/MnTC\\_Courses/MnTC\\_Courses.html](http://www.dars.mntransfer.org/support/MnTC_Courses/MnTC_Courses.html).

## *Training Opportunities*

If you need assistance with DARS, or just need a place away from campus to get your encoding done without interruptions, we have our open lab September 21st and 22nd at the System Office in Training Lab 2204. Our Central open lab is Waite Park Quarry Center Training Room on October 26th and December 1st. On-Campus assistance is also available on request.

**Basic Encoder Training, Transfer Articulation Training and TransferologyLab Training** is offered upon request. When registering please indicate specific needs in comments area. You will be contacted for detailed arrangements.

Registration and information can be found at: [http://www.dars.mntransfer.org/training/training\\_dates.html](http://www.dars.mntransfer.org/training/training_dates.html).

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE** for all training and labs is one week prior to training or lab dates.