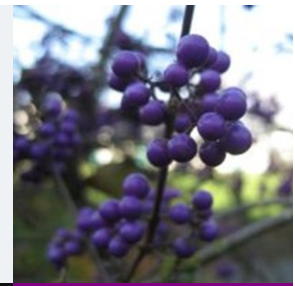


# DARS/TRANSFEROLOGY NEWS

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## *Goodbye to our friend...*

We're sad to announce that Kristen Patrick is leaving us for bigger and better things! Kristen has accepted a position with CollegeSource as an Implementation Specialist, and will be moving to Ohio. Kristen's last day with Minnesota State is September 6<sup>th</sup>. We wish her so much luck and happiness in her new position, and we're sad to see her go!



## *Register Now!*

Just a reminder, the registration deadline for the annual DARS User Conference is September 15th! Conference information and registration links can be found at <http://www.dars.mntransfer.org/UserConf/index.html>.

## *Users On the Move...*

North Hennepin Community College welcomes new Transfer Specialist, True Lao! True graduated with a human resource degree from Metropolitan State University. She's been with NHCC for three and a half years working in the Admissions Office. In addition, she has been splitting her time for the last 2 years in Records & Registration working registration duties as well as recently acting as the sole Transfer Assistant. Prior to NHCC, she worked at a testing organization, processing state nursing assistant applications. True loves watching nursery rhymes with her nine month old baby Max! During her free time, True likes looking up deals and couponing.

*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: Suppression Settings

We were recently asked about suppression settings. What do they do, what do ‘suppress all’, ‘suppress required’, and ‘suppress earned’ really mean?

Required Count:	2	E - Suppress earned
Required Hours:	6.0	X - Suppress all
Required GPA:	2.0	R - Suppress required
Maximum Hours:	999.9	

Let’s look at a requirement and subrequirement. This requirement and subrequirement have ‘**No suppression**’ or default suppression settings:

<b>NO</b>	MATH 1150 and 1170		
<b>EARNED:</b>	3.00 CREDITS	0 SUB-GROUPS	3.00 GPA
<b>NEEDS:</b>	3.00 CREDITS	1 SUB-GROUP	2.00 GPA
-	1) College Algebra		
	3.00 CREDITS	1 COURSE TAKEN	3.00 GPA
	<small>Term Course Credits Grade Title</small>		
	<small>F 15 MATH1150 3.00 B</small>		
<b>NEEDS:</b>	3.00 CREDITS	1 COURSE	2.00 GPA

If I switch to ‘**Suppress earned**’ the EARNED lines have disappeared. Some people prefer this setting, particularly in simple requirements, because the students can clearly tell what they’ve earned without that line.

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	<small>Term Course Credits Grade Title</small>		
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<b>NEEDS:</b>	3.00 CREDITS	1 COURSE	2.00 GPA
	<b>SELECT FROM: MATH1170</b>		

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	<b>SELECT FROM: MATH1170</b>		

If I switch to ‘**Suppress Required**’ the NEEDS lines have disappeared, but the EARNED lines come back. If your requirement and/or subrequirements clearly state what the student needs to take, you may like this setting.

Finally, if you choose ‘**Suppress all**’ neither the NEEDS or EARNED lines appear. This can result in a very clean-looking audit!

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All of these settings are available for one reason— to make what DARS displays meaningful to your students! Most institutions will have a mix of these settings at both the requirement and subrequirement level, depending on what the titles of their requirements and subrequirements already tell students.

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).

## 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>.

### Topics Include:

*Introducing Transferology™*

*Transferology™ Lab: The Administrator Role*

*Transferology™ Lab: The Transfer Specialist Role*

*Transferology™ Lab: TES® Evaluation Integration*

*Transferology™ Lab: Recruiter and Advisor Roles*

## Documentation

All of our documentation from our website is also listed as in 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 Northwest Technical College has 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.