

Update on Articulation Efforts: Iowa Community Colleges and Institutions of Higher Education Governed by the Board of Regents

Executive Summary

Iowa Code §262.9.31.i requires an annual report on articulation efforts between Iowa community colleges and institutions governed by the Board of Regents. These parties, in conjunction with the Iowa Department of Education, prepared the attached report on 2023-24 efforts to improve alignment of programs and assist students in college and career planning that includes transfer.

Annual meetings and routine efforts include the following:

- Iowa Department of Education provides transfer information to K-12 leaders twice annually
- College and career planning platforms are required in all school districts with embedded links to transfer information
- Community college and university officials updated and reaffirmed Associate of Arts, Associate of Science, and Associate of Applied Sciences statewide transfer agreements between Iowa community colleges and Regent universities.
- www.transferiniowa.org website is maintained and includes contact information for transfer specialists at all Iowa public institutions, as well as links to planning tools, articulation agreements, and academic program requirements. The site had 3,400 visits and 3,400 unique visitors from Sept 15, 2023 to Sept 15, 2024.
- The Liaison Advisory Committee for Transfer Students (LACTS), which includes members from community colleges, universities, Board of Regents office, and Iowa Department of Education, held curriculum articulation meetings for faculty in English and Communications. The focus of these meetings was alignment of curriculum to create individual course articulations.
- Provosts and deans from community colleges and universities meet twice annually to review existing agreements and facilitate opportunities for additional collaboration. The most recent Provost and CAO meeting was November 15, 2023.
- Since 2023, the Board of Regents has published an interactive Community College Transfer Report on its website (<https://www.iowaregents.edu/reports/community-college-transfer-report-outcomes>). Trends in community college transfer enrollments, graduation and majors are displayed there by college to provide transparency and accountability.

Transfer-related efforts on which Iowa institutions, the Board of Regents, and the Iowa Department of Education collaborated in the past year include the following (detail found in appendix A and B):

- Transfer advisor workshops at Regent Universities
- College Transfer Fairs at Community Colleges
- Reverse Credit Transfer Meetings (ensuring associate degree completion if community college students transfer without first completing an associate degree)
- Provost and Deans Meetings including in Career and Technical Education, Arts & Sciences, Business, Ag and others
- Collaborate on publication of the Community College Transfer Report (excerpt in appendix C)

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The following update has been prepared to be submitted to the Iowa General Assembly by January 15, 2025, as specified in Iowa Code §262.9.31.i.

LEGISLATION	STATUS
<p>§256.9.57. Develop and implement a plan to provide, at least twice annually to all principals and guidance counselors employed by schools districts and accredited nonpublic schools, notice describing how students can find and use the articulation information available on the website maintained by the state board of regents.</p>	<p>The Iowa Department of Education (IDE) communicates with public and nonpublic secondary and postsecondary administrators, advisors, guidance counselors, teachers, and students regarding the www.TransferInIowa.org website. IDE personnel also work with local school districts to provide transfer information to parents as they help their children consider postsecondary options.</p> <p>The Department distributes a monthly electronic newsletter to all superintendents and principals titled School Leader Update (SLU), and is available to all K-12 counselors and teachers on the IDE website. At least once per year, an article is published in the SLU titled “Transfer in Iowa web portal assists students with transfer.” (link in the Fall 2023 publication found at https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/IACIO/bulletins/3285ac0). This article provides a link to the Transfer in Iowa website (www.transferiniowa.org). Advisors’ contact information for each postsecondary institution in Iowa is available at the TransferInIowa.org site.</p>
<p>The plan shall include suggested methods for elementary and secondary schools and community colleges to effectively communicate information about the articulation website to the following:</p>	
<p>a. To all elementary and secondary school students interested in or potentially interested in attending a community college or institution of higher education governed by the state board of regents.</p>	<p>In academic year 2016-2017, Iowa moved from a centralized, state-designated platform to a decentralized model in which school districts may choose from a list of sixteen career information and decision-making systems (CIS) that meet state standards. The standards were determined based on suggestions and vetting with counselors, instructors, IDE and other stakeholders. For a list of career information systems that meet state standards through FY 2025, see the Career Planning page on the Department website. Iowa State University developed one of the platforms (https://www.planyouradventure.net/) that is available to all Iowa school districts at no cost.</p> <p>All vendors are required to provide post-secondary, and decision-making information. School district personnel are encouraged to request that the www.transferiniowa.org link be embedded within each platform so that students may access this information. In addition, this link is embedded in all updated IDE guidance materials related to the CIS standards.</p>

	Iowa Code 281-49.3 requires student career planning in the form of the creation of a four-year plan beginning in eighth grade. The Career Planning FAQ and the IDE Career Planning Website includes the transfer language and link so that students of all grades have access.
b. To all community college students interested in admission to a baccalaureate program offered by a BOR institution.	The IDE provides a liaison to the Chief Student Services Administrators to provide information and resources, including the transfer website, which will support community college students, parents, counselors, advisors, and teachers.
§260C.14.22. Enter into a collective statewide articulation agreement with the state board of regents pursuant to §262.9. subsection 31, which shall provide for the seamless transfer of academic credits from a completed associate of arts or associate of science degree program offered by a community college to a baccalaureate degree program offered by an institution of higher education governed by the state board of regents.	<p>The Associate of Arts degree articulation agreement was originally signed on December 2, 1981. The most recent reaffirmation was on April 5, 2024. The next scheduled reaffirmation will occur on April 11, 2025. The agreement includes the following elements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Minimum of 60 credit hours of courses designed and acceptable for transfer and may include up to 16 credit hours of career and technical courses. ◆ Minimum of 40 credit hours of general education evenly distributed among arts and sciences. ◆ Remaining 20 semester hours are elective credits or may be part of an approved Transfer Major. ◆ World language proficiency must be met per requirements at each Regent university. ◆ A minimum 2.0 grade point average. ◆ Students who meet the above requirements and transfer with an Associate of Arts degree will have met general education requirements at the Regent universities. ◆ Students who do not complete an Associate of Arts degree must have course-by-course evaluation. <p>The Associate of Science degree articulation agreement was first signed on April 18, 2008. The most recent reaffirmation was on April 5, 2024. The next scheduled reaffirmation will occur on April 11, 2025.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ The requirements for the Associate of Science degree are the same as for the Associate of Arts degree with the following exceptions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Distribution of hours includes 20 credit hours of mathematics and science, which may be part of an approved Transfer Major. ◆ Additional general education courses may be required at the Regent universities.
The board shall also do the following:	
a. Identify a transfer and articulation contact office or person.	◆ Each two-year and four-year public institution has a transfer and articulation contact person to assist in resolving issues related to the acceptance and/or application of transfer credit.
b. Collaborate with the state board of regents to meet the requirements specified in §262.9, subsection 31,	The Liaison Advisory Committee for Transfer Students (LACTS) developed a systematic process for expanding academic discipline meetings. Key elements of this process include the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Planning meetings and collaboration opportunities for representatives from all institutions.

<p>including but not limited to developing a systematic process for expanding academic disciplines and meetings between the community college faculty and faculty of the institutions of higher education governed by the state board of regents, developing criteria to prioritize core curriculum areas, promoting greater awareness of articulation-related activities, facilitating additional opportunities for individual institutions to pursue program articulation agreements for career and technical education programs, and developing and implementing a process to examine a minimum of eight new associate of applied science degree programs for which articulation agreements would serve students' continued academic success in those degree programs.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Using data to determine courses or majors most common with transfer students. ◆ Meeting design, with flexibility of meeting format and activities to meet varying needs of disciplines, using best practices and resulting in an action plan. ◆ Evaluation of both the process and the meeting with a focus on continuous improvement. <p>Regent university and community college faculty held academic discipline meetings in the following areas in the past several years:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ 2010-2011: Agriculture and Veterinary Technology ◆ 2012-2013: Network Administration; CAD/Design; Criminal Justice; Robotics/Automation; and Wind/Renewable Energy ◆ 2013-2014: Network Administration, Criminal Justice, and CAD/Design Technology ◆ 2016-2017: Early Childhood Education ◆ 2018-2019: Agriculture majors ◆ 2019-2020: Computer Science ◆ 2020-2021: Human & Family Services, Engineering, Music Theory ◆ 2021-2022: Political Science, Statistics, Cybersecurity ◆ 2022-2023: Composition/English and Speech/Communication ◆ 2023-2024: Accounting <p>All institutions signed memoranda of understanding with the National Student Clearinghouse to facilitate data exchange. Since late fall 2017, this statewide collaborative process streamlined the granting of associate degrees to eligible students by reverse credit transfer following an agreed upon statewide process.</p>
<p>c. Develop criteria to prioritize core curriculum areas and create or review transition guides.</p>	<p>Extensive transfer plans are available on institutional web sites and include information to guide curriculum planning. A Transfer Major Steering Committee of community college and university leaders (coordinated by IDE) guides prioritization of the degree plans for those program areas. As of 2024, there are 28 completed transfer major plans which can be monitored via the IDE website: https://educate.iowa.gov/higher-ed/community-colleges/transferring/transfer-majors</p>
<p>d. Include on its articulation website course equivalency and transition guides for each of the BOR institutions.</p>	<p>Course equivalency guides are available on the www.TransferInIowa.org articulation website. Transition and course equivalency guides are linked from www.TransferInIowa.org and available on all of the Regent university websites.</p>
<p>e. Jointly select academic depts. in which to articulate courses through faculty meetings in accordance with paragraph “b”. However, course-to-course</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Community colleges and Regent universities have conducted two program inventories to identify areas of articulation opportunity. LACTS regularly reviews areas of opportunity and works with academic departments to coordinate articulation discussions. ◆ Hundreds of course equivalencies approved by faculty are in place, and more are developed as curriculum is updated to stay in line with workforce needs.

<p>equivalencies need not occur in an academic discipline when the board and the community colleges jointly determine that course content is incompatible.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Military credit articulations are documented in the annual Home Base Iowa report to the general assembly. The statewide articulation agreement for awarding and transferring college credit based on Armed Services educational experiences has been in effect since 1996.
<p>f. Promote greater awareness of articulation-related activities.</p>	<p>Communication between advising and admissions transfer specialists at Iowa community colleges and Regent universities is continuous and effective.</p>
<p>g. Facilitate articulation agreements for career and technical education programs and programs offered by BOR institutions.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ The Regent universities have developed bachelor of applied studies degrees to improve transfer opportunities for students with career and technical oriented associate degrees. ◆ Some faculty disciplinary collaborations occur directly between institutions and faculty. College-to-college articulations in different program areas are common. Examples are in the appendix and include many career-technical education programs.
<p>h. Implement a process to examine AAS degree programs for which articulation agreements between the community colleges and BOR institutions.</p>	<p>LACTS created a process to examine Associate of Applied Science degree programs for articulation agreements in 2010. The general career and technical credit transfer agreement was last reviewed and approved at the April 5, 2024 joint meeting of community college and Regent university deans. Review of articulation agreements is ongoing, especially in relation to Bachelor of Applied Science programs at the universities.</p>

Appendix A-Update on Articulation Activities at the Community Colleges

Activities including All Community Colleges and Regent Universities

- Iowa Community College Leadership Summit- Iowa State University. Discussed transfer initiatives and educational trends.
- University of Iowa Transfer Advising Workshop.
- Transfer Tuesday webinars and events held throughout the year and available to all community colleges.
- Transfer fairs and campus visits at every community college in Iowa.

Des Moines Area Community College

- 3+1 Nursing Agreement with ISU's College of Health and Human Sciences at Iowa State
- UNI@DMACC program enrolled 176 students for the fall 2024 semester
- DMACC Criminal Justice hosted the Criminal Justice articulation committee with ISU
- CRJ Articulation email group, regarding feedback on the topic of Internships and AAS degrees
- Continued transfer major communications (re: Business, Communication, Criminal Justice, Education, English, Exercise Science, History, Human and Family Services, Journalism, Political Science, Psychology, Sociology, Theatre, Biology, Chemistry, Engineering, Mathematics and Physics)

Eastern Iowa Community Colleges

- Employees participated at ICON Technology conference at U of I in Fall 2023
- A small team visited ISU to discuss partnerships in research, materials testing, and a possible certificate in non-destructive engineering
- Talk with Iowa State about HCM courses and transfer credits
- Early Childhood AAS articulation in progress with UNI
- Muscatine has been working with the University of Iowa on a teacher education pathway
- University of Iowa campus visit for TRIO students (x2)
- Iowa State University campus visit for TRIO students
- University of Northern Iowa campus visit for TRIO students

Hawkeye Community College

- New articulations with UNI for Human Resources Management and Marketing Management
- Updated Early Childhood Education articulation with UNI
- UNI Day hosted at Hawkeye
- Advisor attended College of Education Update at UNI to review curriculum
- Advisors attended the ICCSSA Conference and Iowa AAN Conference
- Campus visits from ISU, SUI and UNI

Indian Hills Community College

- Sept 18, 2023 University of Iowa Tippie College of Business meeting held at IHCC.
- September 29, 2023 Fall Professional AG Student Conference.
- January 22-23, 2024 Iowa Agriculture Education Summit
- February 7-8, 2024 Spring Professional Af Conference
- Leading from the Middle on May 13, 2024 for the Community College Emerging Leaders Program sponsored by ISU.
- Iowa Thespian Festival in October 2023 sponsored by UNI.
- IHCC has had several UNI Days in the IHCC formal lounge hosted by Paul Sapp from UNI, as well as transfer training for their 2+2 programs (Interactive Media, Business, Theatre, and Art participated).
- UNI Transfer Meetings at IHCC Centerville in October 2023. Met with Business, Construction, and Education majors.
- Iowa Arts Educators Conference co-sponsored by DMAAC in July 2023.
- Early Childhood Education Conference/meeting sponsored by UNI and held at UNI in SP/24.
- University of Iowa participated in Nursing Boot Camp August 15, 2024
- University of Iowa has a representative on the Nursing Advisory Committee
- 12 Radiologic Technology Students rotated through the Lloyd Veterinary Hospital at Iowa State University in spring 2024

Iowa Central Community College

- Health Occupations Educators meetings with the University of Iowa
- Several University days with tables set up in the Advising Center
- Hosted Subdistrict FFA

Iowa Lakes Community College

- Fall TRIO-SSS students toured the U of I campus
- Winter TRIO-SSS students toured the ISU campus
- TRIO-SSS regularly engaged with co-advisors from UI, ISU, UNI
- Initiated a conversation regarding articulation agreement for Early Childhood Education with ISU
- ISU had a table on the EV campus to provide transfer information
- Environmental students engaged with guest lectures from UNI, ISU, UI at Iowa Lakeside Lab
- Environmental Studies transfer meeting with a group of community college instructors and ISU, UNI.
- Nursing transfer planning meetings with UI

Iowa Valley Community College

- TRIO Student Leadership Conference hosted by UNI
- TRIO campus visit to UI

- TRIO campus visit to ISU
- TRIO campus visit to UNI
- Transfer Week event in February with application fees waived at that time
- Iowa AAN conference
- Auto Tech program is working with UI on articulation into BAS program

Iowa Western Community College

- Health Occupations Educators (HOE/CNA) monthly Zoom meetings with University of Iowa
- Coordinated with University of Iowa to bring their Simulation in Motion truck and team to IWCC to upskill area health care providers. (IWCC, Shelby County Center, Cass County Center).
- University of Iowa's Arts Share program visited Harlan for a writers workshop
- Participated in Shelby County Historical Museum's "Teacher's Night" with other area organizations and institutions
- WIRRC Meeting with Transfer Advisors at Iowa State University
- CBCSD Vendor Fair/Back-to-School event, Represent WIRRC at back-to-school event for CBCSD Teachers- options for further their education at Regent schools
- UNI Day @ IWCC Council Bluffs
- Ugly Sweater event with Transfer Partners (UNI, BVU, UNO, Bellevue)
- Transfer Week. 2/5/24 - 2/9/24.
- WIRRC at Kiosk
- Education is Everyone' Business Luncheon - WIRRC Sponsorship
- Health Careers Fair - Regent representation, Iowa College of Medicine in attendance
- PTK Ceremony, Arts Center, WIRRC Sponsorship
- Cap & Gown Distribution Event - Engagement Event for Transfer School Reps to provide info to graduating students

Kirkwood Community College

- Parks and Natural Resources AAS – beginning stages of articulation with School of the Wild in the College of Education (Iowa)
- Hospitality Management AAS – beginning stages of articulation with Extension programming (ISU)
- Music AAA - Articulation agreement with Bachelor of Music (UNI)
- Visual Communication and Design AAS – final stages of articulation Bachelor of Arts in Graphic Technology (UNI)
- Medical Laboratory Technology AAS - Articulation agreement with College of Medicine (Iowa)
- Early Childhood Education AAS – Articulation agreement with Bachelor of Arts in Early Childhood Education (UNI)

North Iowa Area Community College

- Correspondence with the UNI, ISU and UI on a monthly basis regarding new course development and articulation
- University of Iowa – Meeting with Advisory Board member, Cheri Doggert
- University of Northern Iowa – Meeting with Pre-PT Club Students
- Iowa Community College Nursing Education Director Association (ICCNEDA) Team Members Meeting to discuss curriculum updates and administrative changes.
- Iowa Higher Education Mathematics Transition Advisory Council (HEMTAC) (April 2024)

Northeast Iowa Community College

- Early Childhood faculty meet with UNI faculty regarding articulation
- UNI Applied Engineering visit to campus
- Hosted TRIO-SSS Lunch and Learn events on transfer with Iowa State University and the University of Iowa
- UNI Day on Peosta campus
- Participated with ISU and UNI in Industry 4.0 Meeting

Northwest Iowa Community College

- Steve Warnstadt (WIRRC) was on campus to visit with the President and others regarding the work of the WIRRC.
- WIRRC Transfer Specialist attended a transfer major webinar with representatives of the Iowa Department of Education and Regents College
- WIRRC staff communicates regularly with the Transfer specialists from UNI, ISU, and U of Iowa re: upcoming transfer fairs, new majors
- Transfer specialist works directly with students about transfer opportunities.
- Transfer specialist is working with the library staff to create a special “transfer” area with information and guidance to help students transfer to a four-year college.
- CAO on Transfer Major Steering Committee and attends meetings in regards to measuring success of transfer majors and the next steps
- Registrars group have conversations at meetings about Transfer majors and reverse transfer

Southwestern Community College

- UNI day with meetings for SWCC advisors as well as the opportunity for SWCC students to visit with UNI representatives about transfer opportunities
- Outlined the transfer pathway guide for Southwestern students interested in obtaining a bachelor of science degree in automation engineering technology at UNI

- National Transfer Student Week with social media posts about SWCC graduates who have transferred to four-year schools after earning their Associates degree
- Director of Student Development, attended a Western Iowa Regents Resource meeting in Ames with representatives from the admissions staff at each of Iowa Regents institutions

Southeastern Community College

- UI Engineering Articulation agreement
- Iowa Business Transfer Conference
- UNI visit to campus
- UI Nursing evaluation
- Iowa AAN
- UNI Transfer Workshop

Western Iowa Tech Community College

- Graphic Design instructors met with Iowa State University faculty to work on articulation agreement for the programs
- WITCC is host to Western Iowa Regents Resource Center to support transfer and other Regent activities for communities throughout Western Iowa.

Appendix B—Update on Articulation Activities at Regent Universities

University of Northern Iowa

- Hosted UNI Days at: Hawkeye CC, DMACC-Ankeny (x2), Kirkwood CC (x2), Iowa Central CC, Marshalltown CC,
- Participated in transfer fairs at Hawkeye CC, NIACC, Iowa Western CC, DMACC Ankeny, DMACC Urban, DMACC Boone, Western Iowa Tech CC, Clinton CC, Scott CC, Muscatine CC, Indian Hills CC, Southwestern CC, Kirkwood CC, Marshalltown CC, and Ellsworth CC.
- Articulated the AAA in Music from Kirkwood CC into School of Music degrees.
- Articulated AAS in Early Childhood Education degrees from DMACC, Hawkeye CC, and Kirkwood CC
- Articulated the AAS in Business from Kirkwood CC into Wilson College of Business degrees
- Invited all early childhood faculty from all Iowa CCs to UNI's campus for an articulation meeting in February
- Held informational sessions at TRIO offices at Hawkeye CC, Marshalltown CC, Iowa Central CC, Ellsworth, and NICC-Peosta.
- Participated in a Hawkeye Community College / UNI partnership visit day (March 2023)
- Hosted two large transfer-only visit days on the UNI campus for prospective transfer students, one each semester.
- Participated in Discover DMACC Days
- Articulated the AAS degree in Human Services from DMACC into the new online Human Services degree
- Presented general transfer information to College experience courses at Hawkeye CC and Marshalltown CC.
- Hosted a lunch-and-learn at DMACC-Ankeny for advisors
- Hosted a Transfer Workshop for Kirkwood Advisors to visit campus & meet with various academic departments
- Hosted virtual Transfer Hours for students to learn more about campus programs.
- Office hours at Kirkwood Community College & Hawkeye Community College throughout the year.
- Transfer Connection program-provides prospective transfer students a UNI adviser during their time at the community college
- Hosted a UNI Financial Aid event at Hawkeye CC
- Attended the Hawkeye CC graduation fair in April
- Hosted a transfer student Kinesiology Symposium on UNI's campus for students interested in Kinesiology and pre-PT programs
- Attended advisory board meetings at Hawkeye CC, NICC, NIACC, Kirkwood CC, and Ellsworth CC.

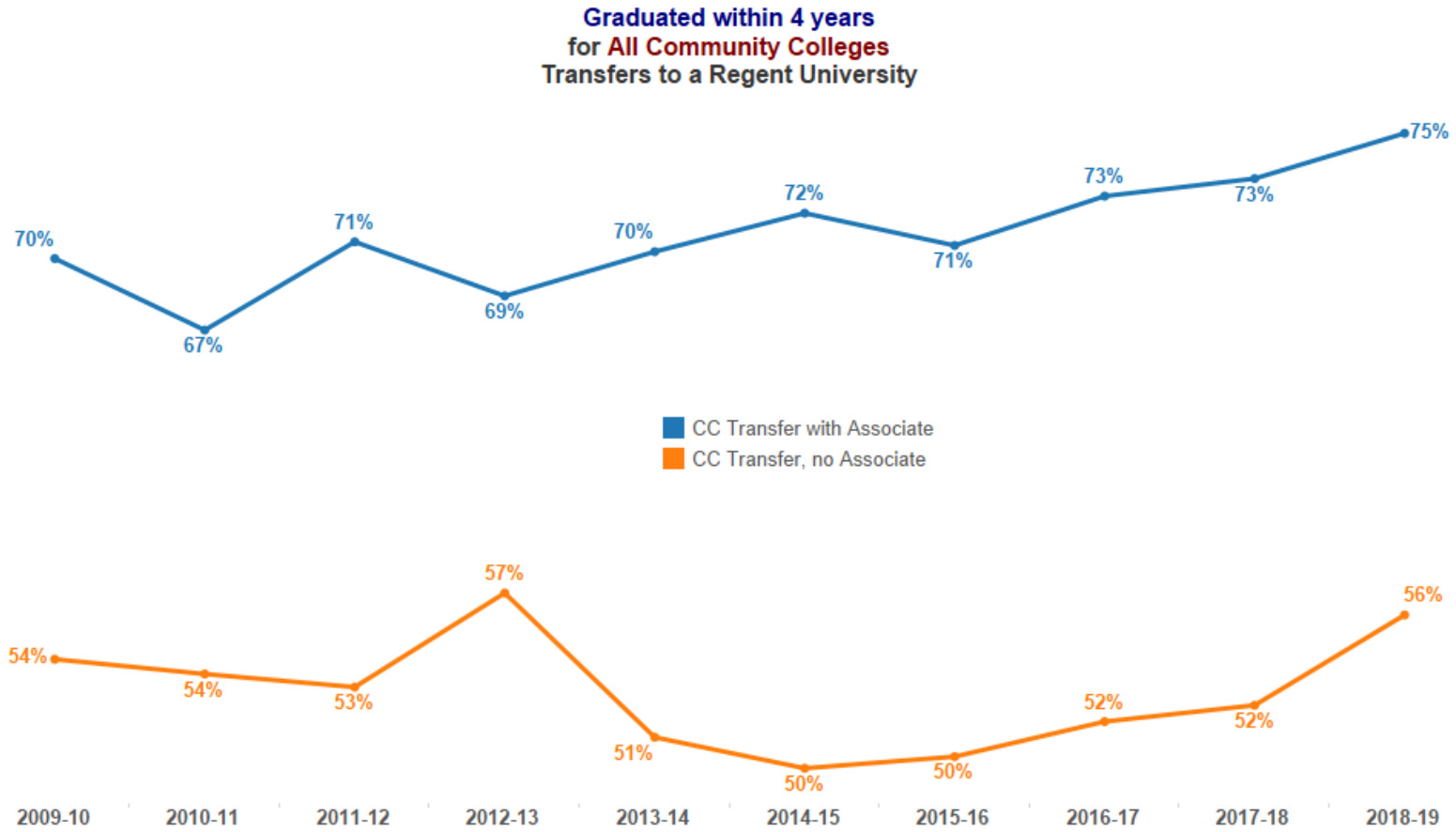
University of Iowa

- Total new transfer students enrolled Fall 2024 – 1,312 (59% from Iowa Community Colleges)
- Transfer articulation websites and advising aids. These numbers reflect activity from September 1, 2023 – August 1, 2024.
 - Transfer Course Equivalency Guide – 186,678 views, 20,913 active users, 406,131 event count
 - Transferology searches – 6,894
 - Transfer Planning Resources – 14,242 views, 6,082 active users, 46,096 event count
 - University of Iowa Transfer Plans – 8,379 views, 4,542 active users, 29,219 event count
- Provide all transfer students with a complete degree audit upon admission that details how their courses transfer.
- Administer 2 Plus 2 Program, a Guaranteed Graduation Plan for Iowa Community College transfer students.
- Host a statewide transfer advisor listserv as means of communication between university and community college personnel.
- Visit every Iowa Community College and participate in all transfer fair programs, virtually and in person.
- The University of Iowa offers virtual one-on-one appointments for prospective transfer students. We met with over 600 students virtually during the 2023-2024 academic year.
- Host multiple, varied on-campus and virtual programs to assist students preparing to transfer.
- Advise students one-on-one regarding course selection, university policy, and admission procedures via phone, virtual appointment, on campus appointments, off campus appointments, and email.
- The University of Iowa offers a Transfer Transitions course for entering transfer students.
- Transfer students are invited to participate in On Iowa! Providing a comprehensive introduction to university life.
- All new transfer students are required to complete the Success at Iowa online course introducing them to resources and information
- Transfer students complete the Excelling@Iowa survey and are assigned a Transfer Support Team member to provide outreach to them and share campus resources that will ease their transitions and help meet the needs they indicated on their survey.
- Iowa Veteran Education, Transition, and Support (IVETS) serves Veterans who are often transfer students, the military-connected community, and their families at the University of Iowa as they navigate their educational paths.
- Award \$2000 Phi Theta Kappa scholarship per year for up to two years to all qualified students who apply by the stated deadline.
- The College of Nursing continues to establish 3+1 BSN partnerships with community colleges in Iowa. The 3+1 partnership provides enhanced opportunities for unparalleled leadership experience while allowing students to continue working in their communities as they complete their BSN degree online. There are partnerships with 13 Iowa community colleges.
- The School of Social Work has changed their admission requirements and adjusted pre-requisites so all required courses can be transferred from a community college. They also removed the cap on the number of students who can be admitted into the program.
- A member of the School of Social Work serves on the Kirkwood Human Services Advisory Board.
- College of Liberal Arts and Sciences added additional pathways for students to fulfill the World Language requirement.
- Dedicated office space at the Kirkwood Cedar Rapids campus staffed by University of Iowa
- Attended Kirkwood Orientation programs on both the Cedar Rapids and Regional Center University of Iowa campuses.
- The University of Iowa Admissions staff serve on the Iowa Valley, and Hawkeye Community College Liberal Arts Advisory Boards as well as the Southwestern Community College General Education Advisory Board.

Iowa State University

- Doubled the number of students participating in Iowa State's Admissions Partnership Programs (Admissions Partnership Program and DMACC-ISU Connect Program)
- Hundreds of individual program and course articulation agreements with Iowa's community colleges
- On-going ISU and Iowa community college faculty collaborations resulting in articulation agreements, transfer plans, etc.
- Hosted several community college partners on campus to provide academic updates
- Presentations with DMACC's Career Advantage Program to high school students and counselors on transfer credit options for courses offered through Career Academies
- Classroom presentations to The College Experience courses highlighting the transfer process
- Dedicated time in community college advising centers offering pre-advising assistance to transfer-bound students
- Presentations to TRIO and PTK groups on community college campuses highlighting the transfer process
- ISU to You visit events at Iowa community colleges that took representatives from all ISU academic colleges and key services
- Special campus visit opportunities designed specifically for transfer students (Transfer Visit Day)
- Hosted group visits designed for students in Student Support Services programs such as TRIO
- Hundreds of prospective student virtual and in person one-on-one sessions with transfer admissions counselors
- Transfer Center open houses and drop-in opportunities throughout the year
- Named to the Phi Theta Kappa Transfer Honor Roll
- Continued growth – more than doubling – of our Iowa State chapter of Tau Sigma National Honor Society (a transfer-student-only honor society), the first chapter in the state of Iowa
- Course equivalency guides and transfer plans updated
- A transfer plan website to display the Iowa community college agreements - 18,809 visits and 4,830 unique visitors September 15, 2023 to September 15, 2024
- Agriculture & Life Sciences Continues to lead regarding articulation of ag programs, common course descriptions, outcomes, etc.
- Ivy College of Business has a designated student recruiter business-specific visits and outreach to community colleges
- Bachelor of Business Administration online degree-completer program is in place, with 83 students at present
- For the 2024-25 academic year, \$68,700 was awarded to transfer students out of 28 total scholarships. Scholarship awards ranged from \$1,00 - \$5,000 with the average size of a transfer scholarship around \$2,2450.
- Department of Graphic Design has been reviewing courses with community colleges for a possible articulation agreement.
- E-APP (Engineering Admissions Partnership Program) offers an expanded partnership opportunity to Iowa community college students who plan to transfer to Iowa State in an engineering field
- Yearly professional development + engineering career fair workshop for Community College students targeting future transfer
- College of Human Sciences continues to work with community colleges to make the RN-to-BSN transition easier for students
- Several Human Sciences majors are analyzing AA/AS/AAS degree transfer options.
- CLAS has liaisons on the Hawkeye CC and Kirkwood Community College Liberal Arts Advisory Committees

Appendix C—Graduation Rate Trend 4 Years After Transfer to a Regent University (2009-10 through 2018-19 entry cohorts)



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