



Transfer Affairs

College Transfer On-Campus Recruitment

<u>College/University</u>	<u>Date</u>
Bay Path College	Monday, November 2
Elms College	Wednesday, November 4
Quinnipiac University	Thursday, November 5
American International College	Thursday, November 12
Central Connecticut State University	Monday, November 16
University of Massachusetts at Lowell	Wednesday, November 18

Note: All college representatives will be located in Bldg. 2, Scibelli Hall, near the cafeteria area, from 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Stop by or call our office to find out what other college and university representatives will be on campus during November. This is open to all students. The reps will be available to answer any questions that you may have.

Jack Kent Cooke Foundation Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship Program

The Jack Kent Cooke Foundation will award fifty \$30,000 scholarships to high achieving community college students hoping to transfer from two-year programs to four-year colleges and universities in fall 2010. Each award will fund a portion of educational costs, including tuition, fees, and living expenses for two to three years of a Jack Kent Cooke scholar's undergraduate degree.

At Minimum, each candidate must:

- ◆ Be a current student at an accredited US community college or two-year institution with sophomore status by December 31, 2009, or a recent graduate (since spring 2005).
- ◆ Have a cumulative GPA of 3.50 or better on a 4.0 scale (or the equivalent).
- ◆ Plan to enroll full-time in a baccalaureate program at an accredited college or university in fall 2010.
- ◆ Be nominated by his or her two-year institution
- ◆ Have unmet financial need.
- ◆ Have not previously been nominated by the Jack Kent Cooke Foundation Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship.

To learn more information about the nomination process, please stop by this office prior to Friday, November 13, 2009.

Open House Events

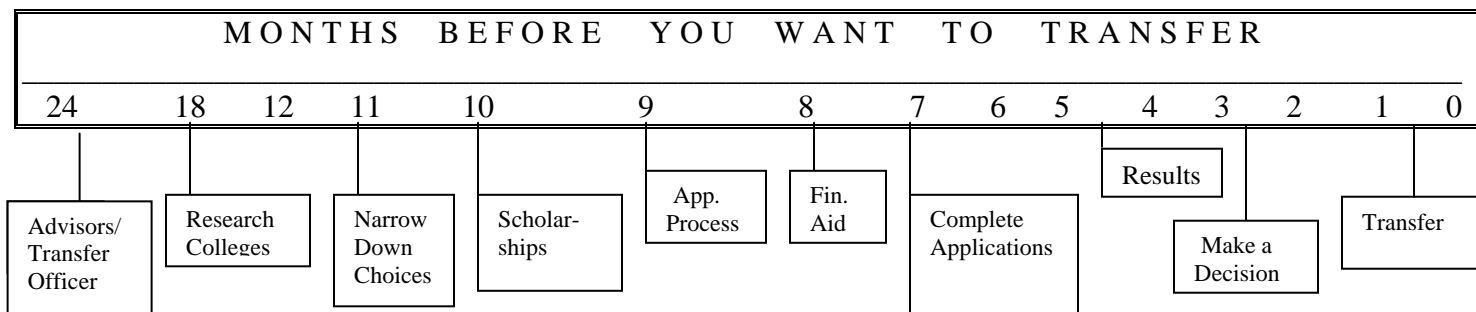
Mount Holyoke College (Frances Perkins Program) in South Hadley, MA will be having an Open House on Wednesday, November 11, 2009, from 1:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. at the Willits-Hallowell Building. Parking is available at the Morgan Street lot, and a shuttle bus will be available to transport students and their families to the open house location. This event will include a panel discussion about college life, a tour of the campus and chance to observe a class while it is in session. Call (413) 538-2077, or email francesperkins@mtholyoke.edu or visit their website www.mtholyoke.edu/go/fpoh to register by Wednesday, November 4.

Smith College (Ada Comstock Scholars Program) in Northampton, MA is having their Open House on Wednesday, November 11, 2009, from 9:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m. in the Campus Center. You will be able to meet with current Ada Comstock Scholars, members of the faculty, a financial aid officer, and representatives of the student services staff. You will also get a tour of the campus and have any questions answered. A light lunch will be served. To RSVP and for more information, please e-mail Comstock@smith.edu or visit their website at www.smith.edu/admission/ada/novopenhouse or call (413) 585-2500 no later than Wednesday, November 4. Please note that round-trip transportation will be provided from the Smith College campus to Mount Holyoke College and back. Please visit the Smith College or Mount Holyoke College website for details.

Springfield College in Springfield, MA is hosting their Open House program on Sunday, November 1, 2009, from 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. This program will kick off with a multicultural event at the Marsh Memorial. Beginning at 12:00 noon, the program will officially start at the Blake Arena located on Alden Street. There will be signs posted to direct students and their families. You will have an opportunity to meet with faculty, attend a financial aid information session and have a tour of the campus. To RSVP, please call 1-800-343-1257 or complete the online registration form at www.spfldcol.edu.

Transfer Timeline Chart

The transfer timeline chart should be used as a tool to help you understand the steps involved in transferring to a four-year college/university so that you can set aside enough time to reach your goals. It is not meant to represent exact dates for all institutions. Please remember that each college/university has its own specific deadlines. **IT IS THE STUDENT'S FULL RESPONSIBILITY TO RESEARCH EXACT DEADLINES, ADEQUATELY PREPARE FOR THE TRANSFER PROCESS, AND COMPLETE APPLICATION(S) FULLY AND IN A TIMELY MANNER.**



- Advisors/Transfer Officer: meet with your academic adviser and transfer officer as soon as possible to discuss your plans. Make sure you are taking the right classes, are on the right track to transfer the most number of credits, and are signed up for transfer programs like Joint Admissions and MassTransfer.
- Research Colleges: Look at College websites, browse college Brochures and visit the Transfer Department and your College Library.
- Narrow Down Choices: Which college/university do you want to apply to? Consider academic offerings, Geography, cost, and personal "fit."
- Scholarships: Research and apply for scholarships. Remember all scholarships have unique requirements and deadlines.
- Application Process: Request application materials from the college admissions offices, request transcript from the STCC Registrar, and ask professors to write recommendations for you, if necessary.
- Financial Aid: Complete the FAFSA and apply for other financial aid.
- Complete Application(s): Mail application(s), supporting materials, and application fee (if applicable). Send thank you notes to your references.
- Results: Expect admissions decisions. Have a backup plan if necessary.
- Make a Decision: Accept an offer by returning the necessary paperwork and by making a deposit.
- Transfer: Celebrate your accomplishment of achieving your associate degree from STCC and prepare to start your next educational experience at a four-year college/university.

MassTransfer Program

The Department of Higher Education is implementing a new statewide transfer program called *MassTransfer*. This new program serves to integrate and replace the Commonwealth Transfer Compact, Joint Admissions and, the Tuition Advantage Program into a single transfer program will streamline the transfer process and transfer advising. The *MassTransfer* policy for community college students who seek to complete designated associate degrees will apply to students who matriculate in or after fall 2009 at a Massachusetts community college. Community college students who may have matriculated prior to fall 2009 and who participate in the Commonwealth Transfer Compact and /or the Joint Admissions Program will be required to complete their associate degrees by August 2013, and must matriculate at a Massachusetts state college or University of Massachusetts campus by fall 2014.

The *MassTransfer* program policy is for any student in the Massachusetts public higher education system who completes and satisfies the 34 credit general education transfer block. The transfer block will be implemented beginning fall 2010, regardless of the student's date of enrollment.

The following STCC degree programs have been identified as having *MassTransfer* status:

1. Liberal Arts/General Studies Transfer -LTGS.AA
2. Liberal Arts Transfer - LTTR.AA
3. Secondary Education- EDSE.AA
4. Elementary Education- EDEL.AA
5. General Business Transfer Compact -BTCM.AS

STCC graduates of these degree programs will be guaranteed full transferability of their credits to the Massachusetts state colleges and the University campuses. For more information on additional programs that are eligible for MassTransfer benefits, please contact the Transfer Office and/or visit www.mass.edu/masstransfer/home.asp . Also, please note that this new MassTransfer program will not effect the Joint Admissions (JA) program that is currently in place with the Massachusetts Private Colleges (American International College, Bay Path College, Elms College, Springfield College and Western New England College).

Career Seminar Reminder

Monday, November 2, Daniel MCDonough, Vice President of Human Resources, Lenox Saw Company, East Longmeadow, MA will present a career seminar titled: Networking - Making Connections that Lead to Nailing a Job Offer. The career seminar is going to be held in the Deliso Videoconferencing Center, which is located on the third floor of the Andrew M. Scibelli Enterprise Center (Building 101) in STCC's Technology Park, from 12:15 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. All Co-op and Internship students are required to attend this career seminar.

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