TransferREADY.org
For High School Students Planning the Transfer Path

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Goal

1. Need expressed by HS counselors, others
   - No resources for HS students starting at community college, planning transfer to four-year
   - Evidence suggests this number of students will continue to grow
   - We know early planning is critical to success

2. Develop a web-based brochure to help HS level understand and plan ahead for transfer

3. Student-focused
Assumptions

1. Illinois Students
   - Start at an Illinois community college
   - Illinois Articulation Initiative

2. To encourage early planning/understanding
   - Designed to be HS-level resource
   - Broadly applicable

3. Student may change mind
Basics

1. Plan, plan, plan
   - Plan early
   - Plan often (things change!)

2. Staff want to help with successful transfer
   - Funny story

3. IAI best default if student has many unknowns
   - Students should explore, but make progress
Based On

1. Advising for needs based on four combinations
   - Know or Don’t know where they want to study
   - Know or Don’t know what they want to study

2. Covers all students
   - Useful starting place
   - Effectively informs which resources students need
Focus

1. Build-on, utilize & be compatible with existing Illinois resources
   - IAI (Illinois Articulation Initiative)
   - iTransfer.org
   - ISAC, ICCB, IBHE
   - College/University resources
   - Transferology™

2. Improve understanding of transfer
   - Benefits of transfer
   - Difference between transfer & applicability
Focus

3. Want it to be
   - Full of important information
   - Visually appealing
   - Easy to use
   - Sustainable
   - Flexible
   - Relevant
Visit TransferREADY.org

What is IAI?
The Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI) is an agreement among 100+ Illinois colleges & universities to accept a package of courses, the General Education Core Curriculum, for their gen ed requirements and specify recommended courses for the first two years of some majors.

Find out more

The more courses you transfer
The better your chances for success!
Which One are You?

I know where I want to go, but I'm not sure what I want to study.

I know what I want to study, but I'm not sure where I want to go.

I don't know what I want to study OR where I want to go.

I know what I want to study AND I know where I want to go!
I know where I want to go, but I'm not sure what I want to study.

Explore occupation and career planning resources.

Go to the college/university transfer site for a list of majors, transfer partnerships, admission requirements, dates & deadlines and other important information.

Select an IAI participating school for maximum transferability and applicability.

Complete IAI General Education Core Curriculum.

I know what I want to study, but I'm not sure where I want to go.

Select an IAI participating school for maximum transferability and applicability.

Complete IAI General Education Core Curriculum at the community college.

Review IAI major recommendations for typical freshman & sophomore classes.

View IBHE's searchable database of programs/majors offered by IL institutions. Use the filter options to narrow your search.
I don’t know what I want to study OR where I want to go.

Explore community college services: interest/aptitude tests, student organizations, career counseling, placement testing, academic advising.

Enroll in an AA or AS curriculum until academic goals are determined:

+ Coursework is broadly transferrable
+ IAI courses are included
+ Can try out a variety of subjects
+ Will be on-track to complete a degree

I know what I want to study AND I know where I want to go!

Go to the college/university transfer site for information on transfer partnerships, admission requirements, dates & deadlines, and other important information.
“Find out more” opens a document with brief information, such as <
Myth Busters

Myth: Transfer students don't need academic advising.

Myth: Community college credits don't meet 4-year requirements.

Truth: Credit can flow seamlessly if students plan well to ensure classes fulfill degree requirements in their desired major.

Myth: Transfer students can't graduate on time.

Myth: Transfer students are less successful than other students.

Myth: Transfer students have limited choices.

Myth: Transfer students are not a priority in Illinois.

Myth: Transfer students won't fit in with other students.

GOAL 2025
COLLEGE CHANGES EVERYTHING
Already completed some college credit?

Use Transferology™ to find out how credit may transfer, if classes fulfill IAI, and for a list of programs offered by many institutions.

Go here for quick video clips on Transferology™.

Learn More

- Advance Placement (AP) Exam Credit
- Free Application for Federal Student Aid
- Free Webinar: Cash at College
- How to Pay for College
- Illinois Board of Higher Education
- Illinois Community College Board
- Illinois MyCreditsTransfer
- Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI)
- Student Financial Wellness
- Student Money Management Videos

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Current ideas for changes/updates:

- Update the transfer contact pages to include CCs
- Flip the “Myth” and “Truth” placement
- Make “Learn More” section look more like buttons

Questions & feedback welcome!

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