



Special points of interest:

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Announcements:

MnTC Audit Guiding Principle Review & Analysis

Review continues... If you have not already been notified, you may be receiving a copy of the analysis via email within the next month or so (see January & February 2011 Newsletters for details).

DARS/u.select Regional Open Labs Still Available

We still have 3 out-state open labs available in April – Central, Down South, and North Shore locations. These labs are available to give you an opportunity to focus on specific encoding and transfer articulation needs, working one-on-one with DARS support staff or just devoting a day to work on DARS without the usual activity or interruptions at your office. See locations, dates and registration details in the Open Labs section of this newsletter. Minimum registration numbers are needed in order to hold these labs, so please don't wait to register! These labs are for YOU!

TRANSCRIP requirement needs to be updated annually...

With Summer and Fall registration underway, it's time to add the FY12 Academic Year Terms to your TRANSCRIP requirement for Interactive Web Audits. "How to" documentation is posted at: http://www.dars.mntransfer.org/updates/documents/pdf/IA_TRANSCRIP_Mainten.pdf

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Campus Announcements:

We invite you to let us know about information you wish to share with other MnSCU schools. We particularly welcome news from you that will impact DARS encoding and transfer processing within MnSCU. Celebrate accomplishments by sharing your victories ...small or large ... with your colleagues.

Degree Audits Hit You Tube

St Cloud Technical and Community College student and Board of Trustee member, Alfredo Olivera, created a video which is used to explain to students how to view and print their Degree Audit. The staff at St Cloud TCC emails this link to students. View the video at: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7heNUSvHxcA>

Alfredo was asked to create a poster to assist in communicating this information. He created the poster, and came up with this idea, as well. We applaud his creation!



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Old URL for u.select is going away

If you have any web or other documentation referring to the old <https://mn.transfer.org> URL, please be advised that it will be completely disabled as of April 14, 2011. Instead, you should use <https://www.transfer.org/uselect/login.htm> or www.uselectmn.org.

Please note that there is NO impact on the Minnesota Transfer website – www.mntransfer.org or any of its functionality.

EMNTC Contact s

The EMNTC Contacts list has been updated. The list is found at: [http://www.dars.mntransfer.org/updates/documents/pdf/EMNTC Contact List.pdf](http://www.dars.mntransfer.org/updates/documents/pdf/EMNTC%20Contact%20List.pdf).

2010-2011 Curriculum Changes

Curriculum Changes for the Academic Year 2010-2011 are posted on our site at: <http://www.dars.mntransfer.org/updates/currchanges/changesmenu.html>. The curriculum changes identify new courses, dropped courses, course title changes, credit changes, and MnTC changes for all MnSCU colleges and universities.

MnSCU colleges and universities added 1795 courses and 280 MnTC courses, totaling 2075 new courses.

Tracking MnTC goal changes for existing courses is easier this year. Courses adding or removing a MnTC goal are compiled into one document. Ten institutions identified MnTC course changes. The list “2010-2011 MnTC Curriculum Notes” is at: <http://www.dars.mntransfer.org/updates/currchanges/changesmenu.html>.

2010-2011 New Course Inserts and 2010-2011 New MnTC Course Inserts

New courses for MnSCU institutions, for the academic year 2010-2011, 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 u.select at the rule level.

Institutions requesting the inserts are sent a list of the new courses inserted into the Transfer Articulation Tables.

- ◆ Request 2010-2011 New Course Insert at: [http://www.dars.mntransfer.org/updates/documents/pdf/NewCourse Insert req.pdf](http://www.dars.mntransfer.org/updates/documents/pdf/NewCourse%20Insert%20req.pdf)
- ◆ Request 2010-2011 New MnTC Course Insert at: [http://www.dars.mntransfer.org/updates/documents/pdf/New MnTC Course Inse.pdf](http://www.dars.mntransfer.org/updates/documents/pdf/New%20MnTC%20Course%20Inse.pdf)

The annual Curriculum Changes and New Course Inserts support multiple enterprises. They assist encoders and transfer specialists with identifying MnSCU course changes, including new MnSCU and MnTC courses. Inserted into your Transfer Articulation tables, and displayed in u.select, they provide students and advisors with current information about course transfer. Ensuring that all MnSCU courses from all MnSCU schools are reviewed, evaluated, articulated and in DARS and u.select is a component of the Smart Transfer Plan. Equivalent Course Search relies on the current articulations of MnSCU colleges and universities.

Please contact Mary D'Andrea at mary.dandrea@so.mnscu.edu if you have questions.

Regional Transfer Meetings

The Smart Transfer Plan is being implemented at all of the Minnesota State Colleges & Universities to ensure that individuals who work with transfer stay current with transfer information. The regional transfer meeting is for anyone

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who works with transfer (advisors, counselors, admissions, registration, administrators, encoders, etc.).

The Central Regional Transfer Meeting will be at the Office of the Chancellor, Thursday, April 21 from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm. The West regional Transfer Meeting will be at MSU Moorhead on Wednesday, April 27 from 9:30 am – 2:30 pm.

Registration is now open for the Central Regional Transfer Meeting or the West Regional Transfer Meeting at www.transfercenter.project.mnscu.edu > Events > Central Regional Transfer Meeting Information > Central Regional Transfer Meeting Registration Form.

Curriculum Corrections:

Anoka Ramsey Community College

POLS 1111 American Politics & Government, Goals 5, 7, & 9 1998-2003. Fall 2004, Goals 7 and 9.

POLS 1121 State & Local Government, Goals 2, 5, & 9 1998-2003. Fall 2004, Goals 5 & 9.

POLS 1131 World Politics, Goals 5, 8, & 9 1998-2003. Fall 2004, Goals 8 & 9.

POLS 2202 Public Issues, Goals 5, 9, & 10 1998-2003. Fall 2004, Goals 5 & 10.

POLS 2245 Political Ideas & Ideologies, Goals 5, 7, & 9 1998-2003. Fall 2004, Goals 5 & 9.

Documentation:

New DARS Password Reset Process

As of March 21, 2011, a new DARS Password Reset process has been developed. Users will use the same link "DARS Password Reset Request" at <http://www.dars.mntransfer.org/documentation/security.html>. Documentation on the new process is at: http://www.dars.mntransfer.org/updates/documents/pdf/DARS_Password_Reset.pdf

Monthly Web Hits Now Posted

Monthly audit "Web Hits" for all MnSCU institutions will now be posted at: http://www.dars.mntransfer.org/updates/project_reports.html > 2011 Web Hits Summary and under Documentation > Web Functions > Monthly Web Hits by Campus (which will redirect you to the Project Reports page).

SQLs:

No new SQLs to report this month

Training & Conferences

Fall 2011 training dates TBA. If you have new or existing staff that will be using DARS or u.select, please encourage them to attend the appropriate training session(s) as they are announced. Even if you or your staff already attended training, you are welcome to attend again. Many people find a return visit to training helpful.

- ◆ **Transfer Articulation Training** – Fall 2011 dates will be announced at a later time.
- ◆ **Basic Encoding Training** – Fall 2011 dates will be announced at a later time.
- ◆ **u.select Advisor Training** – Fall 2011 dates will be announced at a later time.
- ◆ **u.select Administrator Training** – training offered via WebEx upon request, (after registering, participants will be contacted to arrange date & time).

All training will be held at Wells Fargo Place in Saint Paul, unless otherwise indicated. Training will be in Room 2204 or 3354, depending on the number of registered participants.

Registration for all training, open labs, and conferences can be found at the following link:

http://www.dars.mntransfer.org/training/training_index.html.

The format will allow you to check the dates of the training, review agendas, and register from the same page. **REGISTRATION DEADLINE: 1 week prior to training or open lab dates.**

Upon completion of all training and labs, please complete the Training Evaluation at:

<http://www.dars.mntransfer.org/training/evaluation.html>.

Third Wednesday & Thursday/DARS Open Labs

Third Wednesday & Thursday – April 20 & 21 at Wells Fargo Place, Room 2204 or 3354. **REGISTRATION DEADLINE: 1 week prior to training or open lab dates.**

- ◆ **DARS "Out West" Open Lab** – Spring lab completed. Fall dates will be scheduled at a later time.
- ◆ **DARS "Up North" Open Lab** – Spring lab completed. Fall dates will be scheduled at a later time.
- ◆ **DARS "Central" Open Lab** – is scheduled for April 5, 2011 at Quarry Center, Waite Park, 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. in Training Room 115 (new training lab, across the hall from previous lab).
- ◆ **DARS "Down South" Open Lab** – is scheduled for April 7, 2011 at South Central College, 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., at one of two locations (depending on attendance interest) North Mankato campus – Room C-129 or Faribault campus – Room C-112.
- ◆ **DARS "North Shore" Open Lab** – is scheduled for April 14, 2011 at Lake Superior College, 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. in Library Bldg Room E1022.

REGISTRATION: http://www.dars.mntransfer.org/training/training_regform_new.html

DIRECTIONS: http://www.dars.mntransfer.org/registration/directions_WFP.html